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SBC Mission Gifts Over A Million In January

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—Southern Baptists started the new year off with a definite upgrade. For the third time in the history of the Southern Baptist Convention, Cooperative Program receipts passed the million mark in a one month period. Cooperative Program gifts for Southern Baptist causes received in the Executive Committee's office during January, 1955 totaled \$1,008,063, according to Porter Routh, executive secretary. This is an increase of \$31,980 or 3.28 per cent over the first month of 1954. Total for the month in January, 1954 was \$976,083.

The million mark in Southern Convention Cooperative Program gifts was passed twice before in May and July, 1954.

Mississippi Baptist sent \$47,479, in January as their share of the Southern Convention Cooperative Program.

Southern Convention designated gifts also passed the million mark for the month, but were down 18.15 per cent under last year. Designated gifts in January, 1954 were \$1,275,244 as compared to \$1,043,759 for the same period in 1955. This 1955 figure for designations included \$51,275 from Mississippi Baptists, making a total of \$98,751 going from Mississippi to Southern Baptist Convention causes in January.

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Hospital Rallies Are Announced

Plans for the District Rallies to be held in nine areas of the state between February 21 and March 8 to present the emergency building problems of our Convention-owned Mississippi Baptist Hospital are progressing according to schedule.

Dr. W. C. Fields of Yazoo City and Herman Dean of Canton, Pastor and Lay Co-Chairman respectively of District Five, have announced their District Committee which is composed of a Pastor and Lay Co-Chairman for each Association in their district. The Rally Dinner for this District, No. 5, will be held Tuesday, February 22, at 7:30 P. M. in the First Church at Yazoo City.

Members of the District Committee include: Humphreys — Rev. E. D. Crenshaw, Isola; and Mrs. Frances Anderson, Belzoni;

W. G. Mize Is New V. P. Child-Care Executives

Superintendent W. G. Mize and Mrs. Mize of the Baptist Orphanage have just returned to Jackson after having attended the Seventh Annual Meeting of The Child Care Executives of Southern Baptists.

This meeting was held with the Georgia Baptist Children's Home of Hapeville, Georgia and attended by 75 representatives from the 18 states and 28 Children's Homes. In addition to the Conference Members who took part on the program, other speakers were Dr. Searcy S. Garrison, Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Georgia Baptist Convention, Dr. Paul D. West, Superintendent of Fulton County Public Schools and Dr. George B. Connell, President of Mercer University.

W. G. Mize, Superintendent of the Baptist Orphanage of Mississippi was elected Regional Vice-President of the Southeastern Region comprising the States of Mississippi, Alabama, Florida and Georgia. R. F. Hough of Virginia was elected President and Wade B. East of Illinois, Secretary-Treasurer.

This conference was organized in 1949 at the Baptist Orphanage of Jackson. The Conference has grown in numbers and interest. During the past year some 5,000 children were residents of these Children's Homes and received child-care, support and Christian training. The next Annual Meeting will be held in Nashville, Tennessee on January 26-27, 1956 with the Tennessee Baptist Children's Home as Host.

Madison — Dr. W. P. Davis, Flora, and Herman Dean, Canton; Rankin — Rev. Carey Cox, Brandon; Sharkey-Issaquena — Rev. David D. Satterwhite, Rolling Fork, and J. Wesley Miller, Rolling Fork; Warren — Dr. R. A. Tullos, Vicksburg, and James Jordan, Vicksburg; Yazoo — Dr. W. C. Fields, Yazoo City, and George Kirk, Yazoo City.

The Co-Chairmen for District Two, Rev. Howard Aultman of Tupelo and W. L. Heard of New Albany, have also completed their district organization for a dinner rally to be held Thursday, February 24, at the Harrisburg Church in Tupelo. (Continued on Page 2)



ROCKY MOUNT DISPUTE ENDS

ROCKY MOUNT, N. C. — (RNS)—A dispute waged here for more than a year over control of the North Rocky Mount Baptist church has been settled by attorneys for two opposing factions, and as a result the case will not be carried to the U. S. Supreme Court.

The majority faction, who were denied possession of the church building and other properties by the North Carolina Supreme Court, have agreed to vacate the property by Feb. 28 and not to carry through with the appeal.

Suit for control of the church was filed by a group of its former trustees in the fall of 1953 shortly after the congregation voted 241 to 144 to withdraw (Continued on Page 2)

More Americans Are Giving More

According to George W. Cornell of the AP, "Wealthy Americans are investing big sums in God's business."

There used to be only a scattered few religious-minded millionaires who chipped in to support the work of their churches, but today this is becoming a more common practice.

"Many more businessmen who have made big fortunes seem inclined these days to make large gifts to the religious enterprises of the nation," said veteran philanthropy expert Arnaud C. Marts.

Beyond the inevitable "You can't take it with you," why are they doing it?

"It's a desire to make a better world," said Marts, president (Continued on Page 2)

WCTU LEADER PROTESTS ON AIR FORCE 'LIQUOR CLUBS'

Missouri Baptists Fight Parochial School Bus Bill

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. — (RNS)—Baptist leaders of Missouri launched what they labeled an "all-out" fight against passage of a bill by the legislature which would permit parochial school children to ride on state-supported buses.

Some 3,500 letters were mailed from Baptist state headquarters here to ministers and laymen urging that pressure be brought against the measure.

In addition, Baptist officials made more than 100 long distance calls to churches over the state appealing for "immediate action" opposing the bill.

A House Committee recently approved the measure, under which the state would pay \$4.00 a month to local school authorities for each child transported to or from any school, public or parochial. The money for this transportation would come from the state's general revenues, not from school funds.

Two years ago the Missouri Supreme Court ruled that public funds could not be used for schools operated by religious organizations. The attorney general subsequently held that this meant school funds could not be used to transport pupils to a parochial institution.

A group of Protestant clergymen opposed the bill at a hearing by the House committee.

Editor's Note: Several similar bills have been introduced in other legislative bodies. It is simply an effort to get state funds for church schools. Below is an account of the same tactics in Vermont:

MONTPELIER, Vt. — (RNS)—A bill requiring local school districts in Vermont to provide bus transportation for pupils of parochial schools was introduced in the state legislature by Sen. E. Frank Branon (D-Franklin County).

The measure was sent to the Senate education committee for study.

In recent years, two of Vermont's attorneys general have issued opinions holding, in effect, that under existing state laws local school districts may use public funds only to transport public school pupils.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(RNS)

—A Woman's Christian Temperance Union official asked the House Armed Services Committee to investigate a complaint that Air Force officers are forcing enlisted men to belong to clubs where liquor is served.

Miss Elizabeth Smart, Washington secretary of the WCTU, presented a letter from a non-commissioned Air Force officer at Lockbourne Air Force Base, Columbus, Ohio, telling of pressure allegedly exerted on non-commissioned officers at the base to support the local Non-Com Club.

The airman, whose name was withheld, said that non-commissioned officers were expected automatically to become dues-paying members of the club, the principal feature of which, he said, is a bar and a dance floor. He said he had tried to resign from the club because of disapproval of the drinking being done on the premises and had been threatened with a reduction in rank.

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Barnette Reports On S. S. Campaign

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB)—Southern Baptists' campaign to enrol a million more in Sunday school climaxed with the report released recently by the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville. J. P. Edmunds, secretary of the Board's Survey, Statistics, and Information Department, reported that the 1954 Convention-wide campaign increased the denomination's Sunday school enrolment 613,190, bringing the total to 6,372,318.

The campaign was under the direction of the Sunday School Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville. Dr. J. N. Barnette, department secretary, said it was the greatest effort in Southern Baptist history to enrol people in Sunday schools.

The idea of the MILLION MORE IN '54 campaign was started with the state Sunday school secretaries at the Southern Baptist Convention in Miami, May, 1952. The year 1953 was the preparation period for the campaign.

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More Americans . . .

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of Marts and Lundy, fund-raising counselors. "There's a greater social responsibility among businessmen, an increase in social responsibility."

Although John D. Rockefeller Jr.'s 20-million-dollar gift last month to strengthen Protestant theological education is the biggest single religious donation ever made it came as part of a growing trend.

Records kept by the John Price Jones fund-raising agency of religious gifts of \$1,000 or more by individuals, foundations or corporations in 10 major cities, show a sharp climb since World War II.

While such gifts totaled only \$145,000 back in the early 1940's they jumped to nearly two-million in 1945, to six and one half million in 1946, sagged to three-million - plus bracket through 1949, then shot up again.

In 1950, these big-lump gifts passed the eight-million mark, soared in 1951 to nineteen million, then to twenty-nine and one half million in 1952, down to nine and one half million in 1953, then sharply up again in 1954 to nearly fourteen million.

The cities where researcher Gladys F. MacGee kept a check are New York, Baltimore, Boston, Chicago, Houston, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, St. Louis and Washington.

Although the cycle fluctuates from year to year, the over-all picture is one of phenomenal increase in contributions by the rich.

"Some wealthy people have always given something to religion, like the Rockefellers and Carnegies," and the Rev. Thomas K. Thompson, head of the Stewardship Department of the National Council of Churches.

"But the number has increased very noticeably."

He attributed this to a general rise in religious interest, to a growing disillusionment with material things alone, and a belief that only religion can stave off the threat of atomic annihilation.

During the last few years, newspaper files from around the country are sprinkled with reports of big gifts to religious purposes.

Industrialist Myron C. Taylor, former presidential envoy to the Vatican, last month gave a million-dollar gift to the Protestant Episcopal Church for a center on Long Island.

Here are a few other gifts of recent times:

For the fifth straight year, businessman Frank J. Lewis, of Chicago gave \$100,000 to the Roman Catholic Church Extension Society, a half million dollars since 1949.

Sportsman Edward J. Baker, of St. Charles, Mo., gave \$1,220,000 to the Methodist Church there.

Hospital Rallies . . .

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The District Committee, serving with the Rev. Mr. Aultman and Mr. Heard representing Pastor and Lay Co-Chairmen for each Association, include: Alcorn — Rev. Glen Smith, Corinth, and Mr. Levi Ayers, Kosuth; Benton — Rev. C. L. Bryant, Hickory Flat, and E. A. Farr, Hickory Flat; Calhoun — Rev. C. H. Cutrell, Calhoun City, and N. L. Lackey, Calhoun City; Chickasaw — Rev. W. G. Watson, Houston and A. G. Shepherd, Houston; Lee — Rev. Silas Johnson, Plantersville, and Rex Reed, Tupelo; Monroe — Rev. John F. Measells, Amory, and A. A. Roebuck, Alberdeem; Pontotoc — Rev. Foy Rogers, Pontotoc, and S. T. Bigham, Pontotoc; Prentiss — Rev. Eugene Crawford, Baldwin, and Clarence Anderson, Booneville; Tippah — Rev. Grant Clark, Ripley, and Jim Buchanan, Blue Mountain; Tishomingo — Rev. Carmon Savell, Iuka, and Dr. Harry Cosby, Iuka; Union — Dr. W. C. Tyler, Blue Mountain, and Dr. H. P. Boswell, New Albany.

Lea M. Feagin, east Texas oilman and banker, turned over a million-dollar trust fund to the Baptist Foundation of Texas.

J. J. Lynn, Kansas City insurance executive, gave more than a million dollars to the self-realization fellowship of all religions.

An anonymous San Francisco "Chinese Christian businessman" gave a million to the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions.

A. M. Ellis, Philadelphia hosiery manufacturer, gave \$100,000 for Hebrew studies at the University of Pennsylvania because of his "lifelong interest" in the Bible.

Mrs. J. P. Corcoran, of Tucson, Ariz., former wife of the late financier John J. Raskob, \$615,000 to the Tucson Catholic diocese.

Lumberman Clyde Harris, of Pendleton, Ore., turned over a seven-million-dollar business to the Seventh Day Adventists. He said:

"We heard a lot about those young missionaries going out in the foreign fields and giving their lives to the Lord. We felt that our money could help."

Many more could be cited, in addition to big bequests to religious groups made in the wills of wealthy people upon death, and major gifts to numerous church-founded colleges.

Marts cited figures showing that in the average year in the 1920's the 747 taxpayers with incomes over \$500,000 gave 34 million to charity out of a total income of 999 million.

In 1950, the 842 people in this high income bracket gave 55 million out of a total income of 852 million. The obvious conclusion:

"They are more generous," Marts said.

**Barnette Reports . . .**

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MANY CHURCHES ADVANCED

Dr. Barnette said one of the biggest gains from the campaign was a larger pattern of organization for all the churches. Thousands of churches advanced during the year from class to department Sunday schools.

He named other objectives attained in the campaign as: (1) a fuller conception of the place of Bible teaching in the work of a church; (2) a better understanding of the place and power of a Sunday school rightly used in the work of a church; (3) the enlistment of additional workers in the churches; (4) a rapid growth of the Sunday schools and more Sunday schools organized.

From 1920-45 Southern Baptist had an annual net gain of two and one half Sunday school members per church; from 1946 through 1953 the average was 10 per church. In 1954, during the campaign, the net gain was 21 members per church. The campaign was promoted through the Ridgecrest and Gloria Baptist assemblies, at state Sunday school conventions, clinics, and associational, state, and Convention-wide meetings. The Sunday School Board periodicals were used to sustain interest in the campaign. Printed folders, leaflets, and brochures were prepared to stimulate interest and give information to the churches on conducting the campaign. A device to promote it was the song, "A Million More in '54."

"PULL OF THE PEOPLE" WAS POPULAR

At the beginning of the campaign the Sunday School Board produced a book, "The Pull of the People," written by Dr. Barnette, to explain and give instructions on conducting the campaign. More than 275,000 copies of it were used.

Goals were set up for each state. To aid in this phase of the campaign a Victory Card was prepared to enable every church to set an enrolment goal of a 20 per cent increase for each Sunday school department and class, based on the size of the schools. More than five million pieces of special promotional literature were prepared and mailed.

Dr. Barnette smiled his satisfaction over the results of the campaign when he said, "Many new units of work — Sunday

W. W. Eubanks Is New Business**Manager At Clarke College**

Wilton W. Eubanks, Hattiesburg, has accepted the position of Business Manager of Clarke College; according to an announcement by President Lowrey Comper. A. H. Miller, who has served for the past two years as Business Manager, has resigned to accept a similar position at Belmont College, Nashville, where he will also have the opportunity to complete his college work.

Mr. Eubanks is a native of George County. After attending Mississippi College one year, he went to Auburn where he finished with the B. S. degree. He received an M. S. degree from L. S. U., taught eleven years in the high schools of Louisiana, and four years at Perkinson Junior College. For six years he served as Director of Buildings and Grounds and assistant to the Business Manager at Mississippi Southern College.

Mrs. Eubanks is the former Audra Rogers of Louisiana and is a graduate of Mississippi Southern.

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WHEN A CHRISTIAN SINS (Sword of the Lord Publishers, Wheaton, Illinois, \$1.75) is written by John R. Rice, D. D. Litt. D. In the preface he says, "No one ought to be complacent about sin . . . Christians need to face the sin question. Will you study with me what the Bible teaches about the truths illustrated and the results when a Christian sins?" Order from the Baptist Book Store or the publisher.

school departments and classes — were started. There are now thousands of additional workers in Southern Baptist churches.

"The germ of the idea has been planted and continued growth is bound to come," the denominational leader said. "More than 10,000 babies are being born every day in the United States. Each baby is a potential member of a Sunday school. Each baby has two parents — more potentiality for Sunday schools."

Let Us Go On! Dr. Barnette said. "This year we are trying to challenge the churches to lift their Sunday school enrolment to 125 for every 100 church members. At present it is 80 in Sunday school for every 100 church members."

A special effort will be made, Dr. Barnette stated, to enrol more men in Sunday school, as it is believed that when the men enrol in Sunday school every member of the family will follow. From this it is expected that more Christian homes will be established; higher moral standards will be reached; and purposeful citizenship will be magnified. All this means an expansion of every phase of the work of the Sunday School Board.

Rocky Mount . . .

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from the North Carolina and Southern Baptist Conventions.

Some 200 members abstained from the voting which was initiated by the church's pastor, the Rev. Samuel H. W. Johnston, on charges that the Conventions "promote modernism" and accept "liberalism, unbelief and apostasy."

Last December, the North Carolina Supreme Court upheld the decision of a lower tribunal that the "true" congregation was the minority group of church members who remained loyal to the state and southwide Conventions.

The court awarded ownership and control of the church property, valued at between \$250,000 and \$300,000, to the minority group. Pending final adjudication of the suit, the two groups had been sharing the church building on a split-time basis at the order of the lower court.

Following announcement of the State Supreme Court verdict, members of the dissident majority voted to appeal the case to the U. S. Supreme Court.

This decision has been rescinded under the agreement worked out by the attorneys which calls for the majority group to pay \$4,700 for its use of the church building since the split-up occurred and to vacate the property by Feb. 28.

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NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BSSB)

—David Lee Mitchell, of Albuquerque, N. M., joined the staff of the Church Architecture Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Feb. 1. W. A. Harrell, department secretary, said that Mitchell's duties will be that of a draftsman and to plan and design church and denominational buildings.

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Roman Catholics Creeping Forward

We want to share with our readers a revealing editorial by the senior editor among Southern Baptists, Dr. F. W. Tinnin of the Louisiana Baptist Message. Senior refers to length of service and not necessarily to age.

The editorial follows:

Reports at the recent American Catholic Sociological Society convention at Loyola University in Chicago summed up the case of Catholics in this country with the statement that they have not "moved forward so far or so fast as many Catholics and Protestants think, and they have damaged their cause by needlessly rubbing non-Catholics the wrong way," according to Time Magazine.

Dr. John J. Kane, head of Notre Dame's sociology department, concludes: "Catholics creep forward rather than stride forward in American society, and the position of American Catholics in the mid-20th century is better, but not much better, than it was a century ago."

According to the same authority, U. S. Catholics tend to educate their children less well, are less successful in business than their Protestant and Jewish neighbors, and concentrate in fields that sacrifice prestige for security. Dr. Kane also cited a survey showing that in cities with 500,000 population or more, one in every four or five Jewish and one in every five Protestant college graduates were earning \$7,500 or better, but only one in six Catholic graduates.

As for those Catholics who do achieve eminence . . . more than half of them do so in three fields: religion, law and education. "The dearth of Catholics eminent in many other occupations," says Dr. Kane, "is rather startling."

Answering the cause of this lagging behind by the Catholics, Dr. Kane thinks some kind of discrimination on the part of non-Catholics is partly to blame. But a more cogent reason is a "lower-middle-or lower-class orientation" holds Catholics down. "It may also be that leadership, even outside the purely religious field, is still considered a clerical prerogative . . ."

In the final sentence of the above paragraph Dr. Kane, we suspect, has put his finger on the focal point of all the problems he has discussed. The superstitious spell priests wield over their people is perhaps the greatest handicap. This superstition bars the entrance of the average Catholic into the abundant life of American freedom and opportunity.

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Sunday School Conferences Soon

Time is drawing near for one of the highlights of Mississippi Baptist life—the annual regional and district Sunday School conferences.

The three regional conventions will be held Feb. 22-24 as follows: Tuesday, First Church, Pontotoc; Wednesday, First Church, Louis-

ville, and Thursday, First Church, Laurel.

"Let Us Go On" will be the theme of the meetings with visiting principal speakers to include W. A. Harrell, Nashville, secretary Department Church Architecture, Sunday School Board, and Dr. Ramsey Pollard, pastor Broadway Church, Knoxville, Tenn.

The 20 district conferences will begin Monday, Feb. 14 and continue in scattered weeks until April 22.

Dr. E. C. Williams, state secretary, and his associates are to be commended for preparing such a splendid program for advancing of Sunday School work.

The conferences will reach thousands of people and hundreds of churches.

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Don't Forget 'Em

Every community in Mississippi has some of its young people in the armed service of the United States. Perhaps every Baptist church in Mississippi has one or more members in the Armed Service.

They are scattered all over the world. Many of them are in strange lands and among strange people.

Even in this country we have gotten very, very homesick among people who spoke our language and observed our customs. We shudder to think how homesick we would have been had we been in a strange land.

Few things would be more heartening or pleasing to those Baptist boys and girls than to receive the Baptist Record each week. To those faraway Mississippians it will be like a letter from home.

And it will tie them to the church. When they get back home (if they do) they will have a tender spot in their heart for the church that didn't forget them.

Every church should instruct

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letter can be sent us from any point in the state. A telephone call when sent to this number, Riverside 9066, as a station-to-station call will cost a very little. For a quarter of a dollar or less a special delivery letter can be made to reach us the day after its mailing. May we suggest that the churches spend a tiny bit of money in getting church and denominational news to your state paper just as soon as it takes place? If you want information about others, then let them have information about you. The Standard is glad to be the medium of such exchange of church information.

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Our Readers Write

Last week the articles by Dr. Bruce Price, Rev. Hudson, Dr. J. R. Brookhoff, news reporter, Wm. F. McDermott and Millard A. Jenkins — I hope I have not left anyone out — held my interest throughout. All were excellent and up-building, spiritually, which is what the world is dying for — lack of spiritual food. I hope you can keep it going.

Your sister in Christ,

Davey J. Boydstrom

Dear editor and staff:

I am a mail carrier on a 72-mile route out of a second class postoffice, and we handle a good number of Baptist Records. We noticed a couple of weeks ago you had changed your way of bundling the papers for mailing. We are very grateful to you for this. It makes them much easier to route and work.

The other carriers and clerks have commented on the change, and we all appreciate it.

I am a Baptist and enjoy my paper every week.

Again many thanks.

Sincerely

B. O. Tabb

Eupora, Miss.

Comment: This is typical of a large number of letters from carriers and postmasters all over the state.

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Otherwise a letter of inquiry will have to be sent.

the Baptist Record to send the paper to any of their members who are away either in the country's service or at school. It will pay big dividends in later years.

In a few cases, the church does not have the Baptist Record as a part of its program. Where this is true, the parents or the church should send individual subscriptions for their absent young people.

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TELL US QUICKLY

The above and the editorial below is an editorial from the Baptist Standard of Texas. It not only expresses the sentiments of editor James but those of all other Southern Baptists editors including US.

We ask you to give it a careful reading and then do your best to be a doer and not a reader only. It will help us give you a better paper.

Somewhere there is a sharp line that separates current news and history. Technically, perhaps, the term "current" means that which is taking place right now; but the public has come to regard a current event as anything that has taken place within the last few hours or days.

Most all readers of the Standard are concerned about current events in any one or all of the churches, but not one per cent of them is interested in the history of any church except the one to which he belongs. If all those who are responsible for sending church news to this paper will keep this in mind they will cease sending information about something that took place one, two, or three months earlier. The Standard wants to print all pertinent news that concerns the Kingdom and its builders, but we do not believe it is very pertinent as news unless we receive it while it is news.

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Mississippi State's Religious Emphasis Week is scheduled for February 13-17. Theme is "Our Faith Re-examined." Speakers include Dr. Raymond Seegar, Acting Assistant Director, National Science Foundation, who has made large contributions during Student Retreat, Ridgecrest.

Seventeen overseas students from Clarke were supper guests of the Y. W. A. and Brotherhood of East Central Jr. recently.

Rev. B. J. Trantham, of Birmingham, was Clarke's Mission Emphasis Week speaker during which 73 decisions were made. Ninety-four attended the BSU banquet. \$126.43 given in Lottie Moon offering so far.

Reports continue to come in of many excellent Student Night at Christmas programs.

Mrs. Daniel E. Stewart (nee Gwendolyn Compere), our former Summer Missionary in California, is Educational Director of Calvary Church, Columbus.

The former Frances Bibb, one of our former Summer Missionaries to Hawaii, was recently appointed as a missionary by our Foreign Board.

One from Jones Jr. joined a

local church last month. Nearly every church in Jones Association had Student Night.

One from East Mississippi Jr. joined the Scooba Church recently.

At last report, Ole Miss Y. W. A. had collected \$91.57 in the Lottie Moon offerings.

Chosen recently as our 1955 Student Summer Missionaries were Clay Gibson, Clarke, and Anna Rue Valentine, Co-Lin, and Essie Fay Johnson, Jones, Jr., for work in Mississippi among the Indians and Negroes, respectively, and Don Stewart, Carey; Betty Graham and Billy Simmons, Miss. College; Eldridge Fleming, Southwest Jr., and Mary Kate McManus, Co-Lin, for work in Western U. S. More about this later.

Vocational Emphasis Week is suggested for Feb. 6-13. Students, dedicate whatever your vocation is, to the Lord who gave you all the talents and abilities you have.

Hinds Co. Baptist Ass'n has Dr. Luther Joe Thompson, Calvary, Dr. John R. Cobb, Raymond, and Mrs. W. B. Holliday, Ridgecrest, as its BSU Committee.

New Mission Pastor



Rev. Edward Alford Dodson, Port Gibson, senior student at Mississippi College, began his duties as pastor of Grace Mission, Yazoo City, on Sunday, February 6.

Grace Mission is now an arm of the First Church, Yazoo City. The Mission Advisory Committee which guides in the work is composed of Dr. Donald B. Roark, Chairman; Mrs. H. J. Jones; Ben Aultman; John Davis; Fred Womble; W. E. Kight; and Dr. Webb Brame. Dr. W. C. Fields, pastor of First Church, serves as an ex-officio member of the committee.

Mr. Dodson surrendered to the ministry in March, 1950 and was ordained by his home church in

Central, Grenada Makes Progress

Central Church, Grenada has shown considerable progress in the last few months. Since the coming of the new pastor, Rev. B. A. Wilson, in November, a new \$10,835 pastorium has been completed and the pastor has moved into it.

In two months there have been 20 additions by letter; the offerings and the Sunday School attendance have doubled; and the church is paying for a weekly radio program.

A Training Union has been organized, with an enrollment of 53. Since the organization the average attendance has been equal to the enrollment!

The church plans to co-operate in the Simultaneous Revivals, holding their revival March 20-April 3.

The church has adopted the Minister's Retirement Plan.

Port Gibson in May, 1950. While still in high school he was pastor of Port Gibson Mission and has served as interim pastor for the Port Gibson Church and the Goodman Church. He has just completed an eighteen-month pastorate of the Camden Church, Madison County.

Following a year at Clark College he has spent nearly three years at Mississippi College and plans to graduate in the spring of this year.

Northside Mission Becomes New Church

The Northside Mission of First Church, Greenville, became a fully organized and constituted church of the Southern Baptist Convention contingent upon acceptance by the Washington County Association at the next annual meeting.

The Mission began in 1949 in an old laundry building on North Shelby Street in a section of the city that offered excellent opportunities for growth and development. As the work grew, property was secured on North Poplar and a church building constructed. Now there are more than 200 enrolled in Sunday School and the work is still growing.

The council for organization was called by First Church, Greenville and met at the Mission Sunday, January 30. After a thorough examination as to doctrines of faith and practice, the Council recommended and endorsed the move for church organization.

Rev. George Chandler, who had served as Mission pastor, was called as pastor. Deacons were elected as follows: H. D. Bean, Roy E. Burch, F. B. Grayson, Jr., Russell Jones, Jack V. Lee, and Mike Roper. Dominic F. Spina was elected treasurer, and Jo Ellen Richey was elected clerk. There were 79 charter members.

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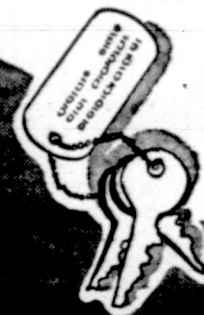
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Sunday School Lesson

By Dr. L. Bracey Campbell

By Dr. L. Bracey Campbell
For February 13

NEW LIFE IN CHRIST

Bible Texts: John 3:1-21; 10:7-16; Acts 16:19-34; II Corinthians 5:17.

I. NICODEMUS A RULER OF THE JEWS

A man of wide learning, of lofty position, of fine character, of an earnest desire for more knowledge and experience in the way of the Lord, and recognizing in Jesus a wisdom and a power surpassing any he had met before, he came to see Jesus by night. He has been accused by the thoughtless of coming to Jesus by night because of cowardice, of fear of his countrymen, and an unwillingness to be seen in the company of the teacher of Nazareth.

It perfectly satisfies me to think that he came at night because he wanted his conversation with Jesus to be uninterrupted and of that friendly intimate character in which two strong men can exchange words not only, but souls as well, and communicate in exchange of the deep treasures of the heart. He was a teacher, perhaps at the head of the rabbinical school in Jerusalem.

II. NICODEMUS' LOFTY QUEST

This earnest man came to Jesus "To ask Him the way of salvation and light". The very fact that he was primarily interested in the best way of life stamps him as a man of superior texture. One might well believe he followed a supernatural guide in this quest; for his footsteps led him to him who is "the Way, the Truth and the Life" and "the Light of the world". It may be that the conversation between these two is not here completely reported. However, we do have Nicodemus' opening and admiring statement, and our Lord's significant response.

III. NECESSITY FOR THE NEW BIRTH

"Except one be born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of God." Why should he see the kingdom of God at all? What is this kingdom of God? Is it anything real now? My own answer to the latter question is a decided yes. Brethren may believe, if it suits them to do so, that the kingdom of God will not be reality here unto the return of the Lord; but his words to Nicodemus as well as the whole tenor of his teaching is that the kingdom of God is in the heart of everyone who subjects himself to the rule of God. A man surrenders himself to God's Holy Spirit, whereat the Spirit enters the receptive heart and changes that heart from a state of enmity to one of glad subjection to the will of the Lord and happy fellowship in his service.

That the heart of Nicodemus

underwent this change is seen in the fact that he afterwards came to the Lord's defense and finally enbalm his lifeless body. His was, perhaps, the typical conversion of the scholarly elegant gentleman. We turn now to consider a conversion of a different type of man.

IV. IN JAIL AT PHILIPPI

The scene is a number of years later and the place across Aegean Sea in far off Europe. Great Paul under the constraint of the Spirit has set foot for the first time on the soil of Europe and, for some time now, has been prosecuting a prosperous work in the city of Philippi.

Paul's labors have born fruit in the salvation of a remarkable woman, Lydia of Thyatira, who has thrown open the doors of her house for the entertainment of Paul's company and doubtless for headquarters for his missionary work. As Paul went about the city proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus a demonized girl has followed him and his company and over and over has cried out the statement "these men are the servants of the most high God, who proclaim unto you the way of salvation." Even as the Lord Jesus would not allow demons witness of him; so Paul commanded the demons to come out of this poor slave girl. When her owners saw that their slave, because she had been healed could no longer make them rich by "telling fortunes" they raised a mob and set the town authorities upon Paul and Silas.

You all know the story of the scourging and imprisonment of Paul and Silas, of these two missionaries in jail at midnight singing and praising God, of the earthquake, of the opening of the doors of the jail, of the jailer's sudden impulse to kill himself, of Paul's assurance that none of the prisoners had escaped, that the jailer asked of Paul and Silas the most important question that any man or woman can ever ask, "what must I do to be saved?" and Paul's answer which comes ringing down to us across the centuries. "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and thou shalt be saved". After this answer Paul and Silas preached the gospel to this jailer, whereupon the jailer and the different members of his family believed on the Lord Jesus and were baptized in token of their happy experience in the Lord.

V. A NEW CREATION

(Corinthians 5:17) Our King James version of the Bible makes this sentence read, "if any man be in Christ Jesus, he is a new creature." The American Standard has it this way "if any man is in Christ, a new Creation". No doubt Paul's meaning is "if any man is in Christ there is a new Creation".

The saved man is a new creation not only but everything else is also new. To a man created anew in Christ Jesus, the whole world is a new Creation. God to the new man is a new being; the new man has a new relationship to Christ; the new man has a

This Is The Answer

By LEE GALLMAN

Southern Baptists have been eyeing for at least a decade a very large group of men in the pastorate who have not had opportunity to get sufficient training for the leadership required in church life.

The college extension centers of Howard and Mercer, and the experience of the seminaries in their extension and correspondence departments laid a ground work of know-how sufficient for an approach at the problem. Now we know how. There are many areas yet to be explored and we cannot afford to say that all the know-how has been given us, but to a very marked degree we can say of Baptists that they know how.

No one knows how many, but it is evident that the number of untrained workers is a very large group. They have been neglected to a very large degree.

Baptists have made approaches to the solution to this problem in many ways. We had our mountain schools and in these schools those who could attend were greatly helped. We still have mountain schools. We have Bible schools scattered throughout the South. A person going to Bible school which has been developed properly will definitely be helped and he will come out the better prepared.

But I would contend that the Bible institutes do not offer the answer and they do not offer the answer the extension centers offer. It would take millions of dollars to create enough Bible schools and Bible school faculties to do the work that the Seminary Extension Department alone is doing in its various centers. We had over 100 in Charlotte, N. C. and Houston, Texas. We have had over 50 at Murphy, N. C., Greensboro, N. C. and at Tulsa, Okla. Many schools have had up to 30 or 40 with the total enrolment in the centers more than 1500. It costs \$350,000 to build a dormitory to house 350 students and much more to house 350 family units. The seminary extension students remain at home. Those who can pick up stakes and go off to a Bible school some distance away could just as well go to a Sem-

new ministry, the ministry of reconciliation; the new man has a new message, "be ye reconciled to God."

To the new man in Christ Jesus, this world is a new world, the foot stool of the living God. To the new man in Jesus the heavens above are new; they are the Father's house of many mansions. To the new man in Christ Jesus, all men of whatever creed or clan are by creation children of the most high God, and all life is trust from him to be administered in the advancement of His kingdom.

Drew Pastor Receives Automobile



Pictured above, at left, is Dr. David R. Grant, pastor of the Drew Baptist Church, receiving the keys and title of ownership to a 1955 V-8 Ford Fairlane Town Sedan. Presenting the gift in the name of the church are W. O. Shurden, Delta planter, and Vernon Springer, Jr., owner of Springer Motor Company at Drew. This gift is an expression of the love and esteem which the people of Drew have for their pastor. The church budget also provides an expense account for operation of the pastor's automobile.

nary where ample provision is being made for them.

But this is the answer because the teaching personnel is always close to Baptist life. The association, the state executive committee, and the state executive secretary work together to get cooperative Baptists as teachers and in the Extension Centers. Not the least of the advantage given to the students in the extension centers is the experience of the teachers on the ground floor with problems of local nature. Pastors who live in textile areas can help their brethren who work in textile areas with them. Pastors in great rural centers can be of help to pastors of rural churches. Pastors in great metropolitan areas know how to assist and share with those who have like problems. Pastors in the oil fields know the oil field.

There is yet an advantage which the extension centers have and that is that they include the whole church leadership. It has helped to create an atmosphere of soul winning and teacher soul winning to those who lead others to do it. Many a pastor has had his program killed by an innocent but unlearned, unschooled enthusiastic deacon or Sunday School teacher.

This is the answer for extended educational agencies of Baptists on to the people. There is no competition between colleges

My Favorite Bible Verse

By Mrs. Geneva Pitts Chapman
Hermanville

"In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." Proverbs 3:6 (King James Version).

—BR—

On November 21 Amity Church in Chickasaw County called Rev. W. E. Foster as pastor for half-time services, but since his coming on the field the people have been led to call Mr. Foster as pastor for full-time services. He has accepted and will begin in that capacity the first Sunday in March.

The Baptist Record has received a copy of the resolution adopted by the Evangelism Conference concerning Dr. C. E. Wilbanks, Director of Evangelism, who has resigned the position in order to become an associate on the staff of the Home Mission Board Evangelism Department. The resolutions expressed the appreciation of Mississippi Baptists for the fruitful and untiring efforts of Dr. Wilbanks and commended him to the brethren throughout the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention.

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I am thankful that I bought lifetime income protection, better known as health and accident insurance, covering permanent and total disability because a policy limited to one year, two years or even five years would be valueless to me now. I have already collected over \$33,000.00 to date and my doctor says I will always be totally disabled. I can outlive my normal expectancy of 24 years and would continue to draw the monthly benefits provided in your policies.

The point I wish to make is that I do not wish to minimize my sense of appreciation to your good Companies for their excellent protection, prompt payments and unparalleled service. I have another duty to my fellow man. The reason I keep volunteering to give testimonial letters to the Company and pictures, interviews, etc. free is not entirely out of appreciation to them. I paid for this protection; I expect and am entitled to the service I am getting and while I am grateful for the gracious and businesslike service your Companies are giving me and all of its other policyowners, my real desire in life now is to influence other uninsured people to make sure they have the same protection before it is too late.

I have had a lot of time to think during these seven years of forced inactivity. I have spent many long hours wishing I could talk to every man that is still physically qualified to get this type of insurance before something happens to make him ineligible. Insurance is no good until you need it and then you cannot get it if you don't already have it.

I wish that I were physically able to talk to all of your salesmen and prospects and tell them how much these \$400.00 monthly insurance checks mean to me and my family. It does not require much imagination to see how tragic it would be to have this long disability and no income whatever and why I am so grateful that there are such companies in existence as the Mutual of Omaha and United of Omaha.

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Lester Griffin, 941 Belhaven, Jackson, Mississippi expressed a desire to give everyone the opportunity to read his letter to the Vestal and Vernon Agency concerning the monthly claim checks he received through this agency from the Mutual of Omaha and United of Omaha. The letter is printed verbatim on this page.

He is one of many thousands of policyowners receiving benefits monthly from one or both of the Companion Companies. Like most people, Mr. Griffin would much prefer to have his health and would rather be working than collecting insurance; however, he is totally disabled now and has been for seven years. His doctor says that although he may outlive his normal life expectancy of another 24 years or more, there is little hope that he will ever be able to work again. He will continue to draw monthly benefits provided in his policies with both the Mutual of Omaha and United of Omaha as long as he is totally disabled, even for life.

In addition to benefits for temporary hospital confinement,

he has been receiving monthly benefits checks for an equal amount from each of the Companion Companies totaling \$400.00 per month since the accident February 26, 1948 for an accumulated total of \$33,470.00 at this time.

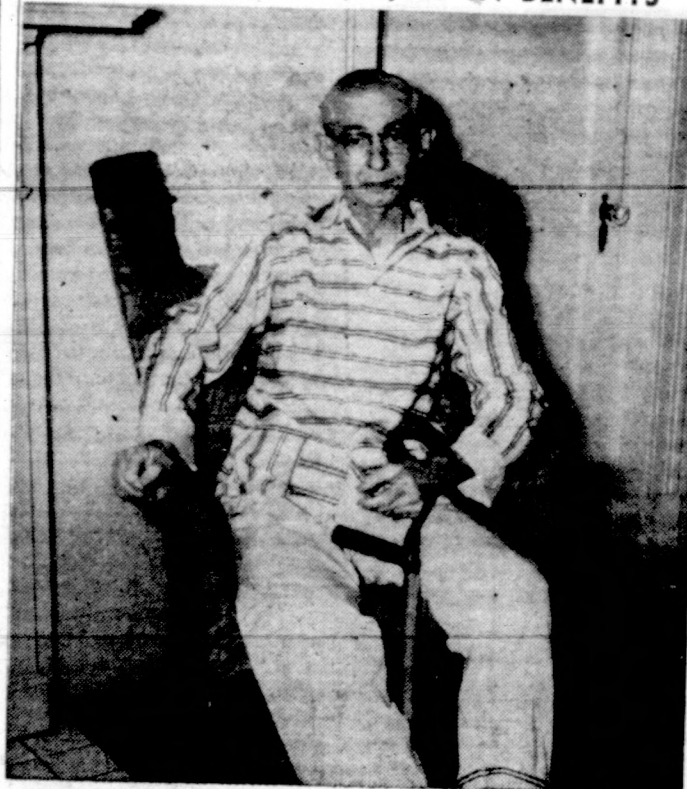
When Mr. Griffin bought these policies from the Companion Companies less than a year before his accident, he was in perfect health and in the prime of life.

Knowing that human nature is pretty consistent and that most people think it cannot happen to them, Mr. Griffin continuously volunteers to use his influence in any way possible to bring to the people's attention the need for this type of insurance coverage. He feels that it is his duty to his fellow man to tell his story at every opportunity and eliminate as much as possible the hardship caused by disability to the breadwinner without income protection.

Mr. Griffin and his family are members of the Broadmoor Baptist Church since residing in Jackson the past thirteen years.

He is well known throughout the state and has many friends in the area of his old home town of Union, Mississippi.

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—BR—

SOUTHERN REGIONAL Y. W. A. HOUSEPARTY



Dr. Ben Lawton, missionary to Italy

On February 11-13, the Southern Regional YWA Houseparty will be held on the campus of Carey College, Hattiesburg, Miss. More than 200 young women are expected to attend this annual missionary event.

PROGRAM FORECAST

Dr. Ben Lawton, Southern Baptist Missionary to Italy, will speak Saturday at the 10:30 A. M. Assembly; he will also bring the closing missionary message on Sunday morning at Immanuel Baptist Church.

Rev. and Mrs. Horace Fisher, Home Board Missionaries to the Mississippi Choctaws, will appear on the program Saturday morning, during the INTERNATIONAL FUN AND FESTIVAL period Saturday afternoon, and for the Sunday School period Sunday.

Miss Marjorie Stith, Alabama W. M. U. Young People's Secretary, is to conduct the valuable Y. W. A. METHODS session Sat-

urday morning. Friday night special includes an INTERNATIONAL HOUR, during which time the ten Nationals will be presented. A missionary banquet highlights the Saturday night activities, followed by a stirring missionary film.

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FOCUS WEEK ECHOES PHILADELPHIA, FIRST

The climax was a banquet with a large group of women present. One of the features was a display of many posters and charts emphasizing the fundamentals. Mrs. Marion Perry is the president.

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We had special emphasis on community missions and enlistment. A special program on community missions was presented at prayer meeting. Many unenlisted women were visited in addition to shut-ins. Definite assignments were accepted by the members for weekly visitation. The activities for the week were climaxed with a social for prospective members. Mrs. B. B. Gibbon, reporter.

CROWDER

A splendid report of activities include the following:

Distribution of the leaflet "Eight Reasons and an Invitation" to unenlisted women.

Display of posters on missionary fundamentals, including the use of the cover of *Royal Service*.

Pastor preached missionary messages at both Sunday services.

Attendance doubled at the regular meeting, after invitations were extended.

Community missions program was presented.

—Mrs. Eric Grozinger reporter

VAIDEN

Reported a profitable observance with special emphasis on community missions. — Mrs. C. D. Simpson, reporter.

50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

50 YEARS AGO

Pastor W. M. Burr of the First Baptist Church, Greenwood, alternates with the superintendent of the Sunday School in giving instructions to a Sunday school-Normal Class of an average attendance of twelve every Sunday immediately after the morning service. The superintendent's name was E. B. Bell.

40 YEARS AGO

Brother E. T. Moberly gives up the pastorate of the Okolona Baptist Church to accept a call to the pastorate of the Lexington Church.

The Galilee Church, Gloucester, under the leadership of Pastor G. S. Dobbins is working to place the Baptist Record in every home represented in the membership.

The annual revival meeting in the Lowrey Memorial Church, Blue Mountain, closed with more than one hundred and seventy-nine conversions, as reported by the president of the college, Dr. W. T. Lowrey. Evangelist T. T. Martin did the preaching, assisted by Singer Sam Raborn. Pastor W. A. Whittle was happy.

25 YEARS AGO

A letter from a long-time reader of the Baptist Record "insists that the confidence of the masses of our people will only be restored when the leaders (pastors and general workers) show a sacrificial spirit."

Concerning Cuts

Almost every day, the Baptist Record receives one or more cuts that appeared the week before and sometimes earlier than that in some local paper with the request that we use it in the Baptist Record.

All concerned please take this as notice that the Baptist Record is not interested in old stuff. It is a newspaper, not a history paper. Anyone having a cut made, can for a few cents more have a mat made and mail the mat to the Baptist Record. In that way, everybody will have a fair chance. If it is printed in a local paper one week and sent to us one or two weeks later, that makes the Baptist Record look bad. Our readers want the Baptist Record to have as good a reputation as other papers round about.

Also quite often we get clippings taken from a past issue of some local paper and mailed with the notation "Take this and arrange it." The same thing is true of clippings as of second hand cuts. After they have appeared in the local paper, then clipped and sent to the Record a delay must occur.

When submitting copy to a local paper, send a carbon of it to the Record if you wish it used therein.

AND WHEN SENDING PHOTOS TELL US TO WHOM TO SEND THE BILL FOR HAVING A CUT MADE. WE SPEND MUCH TIME AND MONEY WRITING LETTERS FOR THIS INFORMATION.

Colombian Convention Marked By Enthusiasm

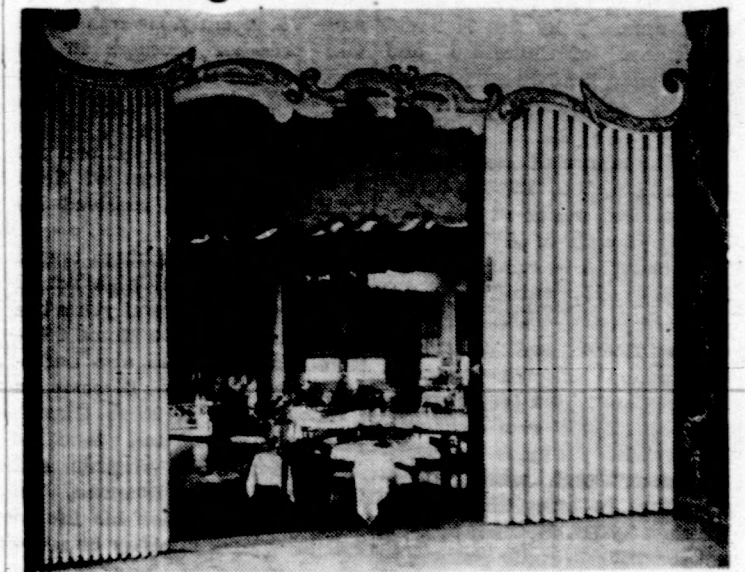
Victor C. Martinez was elected president of the Colombian Baptist Convention for the third time at its fourth annual meeting held in Barranquilla, January 11-14.

According to reports reaching the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, the sessions were characterized by much interest and enthusiasm. Fifty-eight messengers from the 16 churches attended. In keeping with the theme, "Every Believer Winning at Least One Soul for Christ," evangelistic services were held every night in the four Baptist churches in Barranquilla.

The Colombian Convention goes forward at a noticeable pace. Each church gives one-tenth of its income as the minimum contribution to the denominational program, thus giving the convention a material basis on which to work. Among this year's additions to the all-inclusive Cooperative Program are a promoter of evangelism, a promoter of stewardship, and a committee to promote religious education in the churches.

The Home Mission Board of the Colombian Convention, already helping two small churches, made plans to give some support to a newly developing work and considered another long-range project. The Foreign Mission Board is allowing its funds to accumulate for a time in order to be ready to send the first volunteer to another country.

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UNION CHURCH

A community survey was made in December, in preparation for the community missions activities for the following months. It was from the tabulation of this survey that the LOOK, PRAY and DO of the program came. For the DO in the promotion of Soul Winning, the names of individuals who were not professing christians were given each member. Their names were to be put on the prayer list, visits were to be made in an effort to lead the lost to Christ.

To the DO in Manifesting Christian Fellowship names of unaffiliated Baptist in the community were distributed. Another DO in Manifesting Christian Fellowship was passing out names of those in the Extension Department of the S. S. to be visited.

The DO in Strengthening Moral Standards was the suggested effort for each individual to establish a family altar.

The Community Missions Day of prayer and participation has brought our WMS to a keener consciousness of its responsibility in missions than anything heretofore participated in.

—Mrs. Harry P. Dayton

Music Department

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

DISTRICT MUSIC FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

Many of our pastors and music directors have been asking about dates and places for our District Music Festivals. We are happy to list the dates and places for these Festivals below:

Baldwin—April 11
Ecru—April 12
Columbus—April 13
Grenada—April 14
Louisville—April 15
Belzoni—April 18
Moorehead—April 19
Winona—April 20
Batesville—April 21
Marks—April 22
Poplar Springs Drive, Meridian—May 2
Second Avenue, Laurel—May 3

Collins—May 4
Lucedale—May 5
Hantsboro—May 6
Temple, Hattiesburg—May 9
Northside, Jackson—May 10
First, Brookhaven—May 11
Central, McComb—May 12
First, Natchez—May 13

We are expecting an enrollment of 5,000 participants in our District Festivals this year. Why not start your preparation now, and enter several fine choral and instrumental groups and your quota of hymn players in this great Festival Program? It is a proven educational process, and will do a great deal toward building your graded choir program.

HYMN OF THE MONTH

The "Hymn of the Month" Program is listed below:

January — "Hark, Hark, My Soul"

February—a. "Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken"

b. "Here Am I; Send Me"

March — "Only a Step"

April — "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

May — "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go"

June — a. "Softly Now the Light of Day"

b. "Depth of Mercy! Can There Be"

July — "Lead On, O King Eternal"

August — "It Is Well with My Soul"

September—"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"

October — "Something for Thee"

"November — "Hail to the Brightness"

December — "Angels, from the Realms of Glory"

The pamphlet entitled, "Hymn of the Month," is now available from the Music Department, Box 530, Jackson. These pamphlets will be mailed to you upon request, and you should make requests immediately. The pamphlet not only includes a list of the hymns, but has other very important material that will be helpful to you throughout the entire year.

Brotherhood Week To Be Observed With Special "Baptist Hour" Program

National Brotherhood Week is being observed this year from February 20 to 27, and is sponsored annually by the National Conference of Christians and Jews under the honorary chairmanship of Dwight D. Eisenhower.

In observance of this Dr. Roy O. McClain, the "Baptist Hour" speaker and pastor of the First Baptist Church of Atlanta, Ga., will bring a special message February 27 entitled "ONE NATION UNDER GOD."

The Radio and Television Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention (representing a membership of over eight million), which produces the "Baptist Hour" each week, is co-operating to bring this special message by Dr. McClain over its network of 375 radio stations in 33 states, eight foreign countries and territories.

"Thou Shalt Love Thy Neighbor as Thyself" is the admonishment of both Old and New Testaments. Brotherhood is the core of true religious faith and there can be no doubt that God desires all men dwell as brethren.

Throughout America churches and synagogues are uniting in this observance of Brotherhood Week. This year the slogan is: "One Nation Under God," as is the title of the sermon to be

REV. JULIUS S. RUSHING

The second of the six brothers passed away at his home in Exmore Va. recently. He was one of four preacher brothers in the family. Born Sept. 25, 1884, the son of John Booker and Mrs. Malinda Purvis Rushing, he was a citizen of Mississippi and for a long time resident of Scott County where he received his early education.

Rev. Julius Rushing taught piano and voice in high school and college for several years before going with the Home Mission Board. He was also assistant Pastor and Music Director for a short time at First Church McComb, Miss. and then at Huntington West Virginia and Calvary Church Roanoke, Va.

After surrendering his life to full the gospel Ministry he served churches in Virginia, including Dilwyn, Fencastle and Onley, Va. During much of the time he was not only preaching but used in many revivals as both evangelistic singer and preacher.

He leaves behind the other four brothers and three sisters scattered over several states. One brother, Rev. C. J. Rushing is superintendent of Missions in Jones County.

brought by Dr. McClain on the "Baptist Hour."

GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

Ecru Is No. 1119

Ecru put the Baptist Record over the 86,000 mark in circulation. Last week the Circulation of the Baptist Record was 86,143. One hundred and forty of those came from Ecru, where Rev. C. B. Sims is pastor.

The list was sent by the clerk, T. M. Wingo.

Record readers in Pontotoc County are now listed as follows: Algoma, 25; Bellevue, 19; Buchanan, 1; Cherry Creek, 51; Ecru, 142; Endville, 36; Friendship, 1; Furrs, 38; Harmony, 1; Longview, 60; Pontotoc, First, 252; Randolph, 49; Shady Grove, 2; Thaxton, 2; Toccopola, 36; Toxish, 59; Turnpike, 1; Valley Grove, 10; West Heights, 79; Zion, 10; Liberty, 27.

Greenwood

Most of the churches of the Leflore Association were represented at the Leadership Conference held at First Church, Greenwood. Dr. Jewell Kyzar, pastor, and the church had made excellent preparation for the meeting.

Record readers in Leflore association are now listed as follows:

Greenwood, CALVARY, 347; Greenwood, FIRST, 724; Lowland, 17; MORGAN CITY, 49; MT. VERNON, 31; Phillipston, 15; RIVERSIDE 49; SCHLATER, 50; SIDON, 53; ITTA BENA, 186, Half Mile, 12.

Sample Plan Works Again

Emmanuel Church of Starkville is young in age but old in wisdom. Recently the pastor, Rev. Frank Crawford, asked that the Baptist Record be sent on trial for a few weeks so that the members of the newly organized church might become acquainted with the Baptist Record. The result was the usual one. Instructions have been received to continue the Baptist Record to the families of Emmanuel.

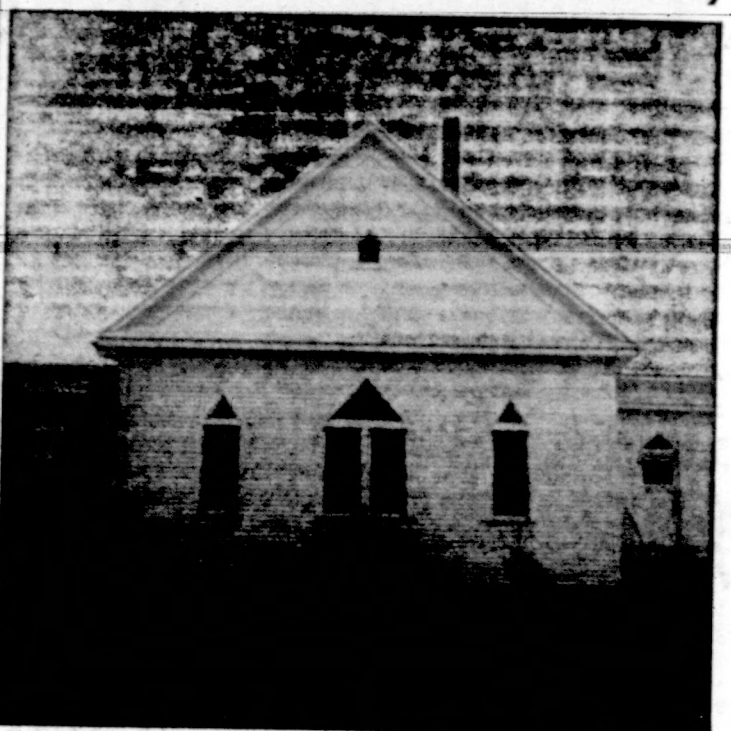
Record readers in Oktibbeha County are now listed as follows: Emmanuel, 11; Adaton, 10; BETHESDA, 25; Center Grove, 11; DOUBLE SPRINGS, 36; Starkville, CALVARY, 56; Friendship, 1; LONGVIEW, 63; MABEN, 66; MORGAN CHAR-EL, 21; New Hope, 14; PLEASANT RIDGE, 27; Self Creek, 2; STARKVILLE, 173; STURGIS, 64.

Rolling Fork

Even though Pastor D. D. Satterwhite was called away for a funeral, the Rolling Fork Baptists turned out in large numbers for the Leadership Conference held in Rolling Fork Church. Other churches were well represented. Most of the pastors present reported progress in the work.

Record readers in Sharkey-Isaquena Association are now

Ecru Observes Fiftieth Anniversary



The fiftieth anniversary of Ecru Church meant more than just a memorable day. The budget for 1955 provides for an increase in the amounts for Associational Missions and for the Cooperative Program.

The church has also voted to adopt the EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

The church observed its fiftieth anniversary on October 30. They started with a charter membership of 75 and a Sun-

day School enrolment of 161. The membership has grown to 450 and the Sunday School roll to 283.

On August 18, 1953, Rev. C. B. Sims became pastor. Under his leadership the church is growing in membership, spiritually, and financially.

Several new Sunday School classes have been organized. A Brotherhood has been organized and the interest in the Training Union has increased.

BPRA Workshop Program Personalities Named

FORT WORTH, Tex. — (BP) — Outstanding program personalities for the first Baptist Public Relations Workshop will include: Cullum Greene, Sunday editor, Fort Worth Star Telegram; W. T. Lynde, Oil Information Service, American Petroleum Institute, Dallas, Tex.; Luther Adkins, director of programming for BBAP-TV, Fort Worth; and Albert McClellan, director of publications, Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, Nashville, Tenn.

Leonard L. Holloway, Dallas, Tex., announced. Holloway is program vice-president and director of the workshop.

The Workshop, sponsored by the Southern Baptist Public Re-

lations Association, is scheduled for Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex., February 17-18.

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The program will include discussions in three vital areas: "Public Relations Through the Press," "Serving Christ Through Public Relations," and "Public Relations Through Promotional Literature," Holloway said.

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Southern Baptist Extension Policy As It Relates To Canada

The Council of the Baptist Federation of Canada, meeting in First Baptist Church, Ottawa, November 10-12, spent an entire evening discussing this important matter. In addition to authorizing the undersigned to represent the Federation at the sessions of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention in Nashville, December 14-15, the Council further directed that a factual statement be submitted to our denominational papers, the *Maritime Baptist* and the *Canadian Baptist*.

By way of background, our readers will recall that the Southern Baptist Convention, meeting in St. Louis in June 1954, took action with regard to assistance to certain Baptist churches in Western Canada which had become affiliated with its Oregon-Washington state convention. The Baptist Union of Western Canada, meeting in convention in Saskatoon later the same month, passed a resolution of protest, which our desire to confer further with our Southern brethren on the matter in question was also clearly stated.

Considerable correspondence followed, resulting in two meetings, held in First Baptist Church, Vancouver, September 21 and October 29. R. E. Milam, executive secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Oregon-Washington, who sponsored the St. Louis action, and five representatives from the Oregon-Washington and Vancouver area, were present at the first meeting. The second meeting was graced by the President of the Southern Baptist Convention, J. W. Storer, Tulsa, Okla.; The Executive Secretary, Porter Routh of Nashville; the Executive Secretary of the Sunday School Board, James L. Sullivan of Nashville; the Executive Secretary of the Home Mission Board, Courts Redford of Atlanta, Ga.; and four other representatives from the Southern Convention. Representatives of Canadian Baptists at these informal meetings were: G. R. Easter, first vice-president of the Baptist Union; W. K. Roberts, minister, First Baptist Church, Vancouver; Mrs. R. H. Boyer, vice president of the Baptist Federation of Canada; Mrs. P. C. Perry, president of the WMA of the Baptist Union; Robert Hamilton and R. C. Standenwick, members of the Federation Council; Wm. Bonney and F. G. Shears, representing the B. C. Convention Board; the director of Home Missions, G. M. Ward and the General Secretary, W. J. MacDonald. The meeting in both instances proved mutually beneficial to a clearer understanding of the issues involved.

Prior to the executive sessions attended by the Canadian representatives in Nashville, both

the Sunday School Board and the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention met in regular session in Nashville and in Glorieta, N. Mex., respectively, at which time each set forth separately their position with respect to the action taken at St. Louis in June 1954. That our readers may know exactly the position taken by these two Boards, we quote herewith the statement of each, under the general caption, "Co-operation with Canadian Baptists." Inasmuch as the preamble in both instances is substantially the same, that of the Sunday School Board will suffice, and reads as follows:

"Recognizing the need for a stronger Baptist witness in Canada and being conscious of the desire of Baptist leadership there for mutual co-operation with Southern Baptists, the Sunday School Board gladly joins the Home Mission Board in declaring its willingness to be of assistance to the Canadian brethren, provided the following principles are kept in mind:

"1. The Canadian churches are sovereign bodies. Therefore, the Sunday School Board will never infringe upon the freedom of any local Baptist church or a group of churches anywhere. Its work will be on a fellowship basis which will be mutually beneficial to them and to us.

"2. The Sunday School Board is to feel free to grant permission to its employees to accept invitations from any Baptist church or group of churches in Canada and assist them in any phase of their religious education programs which are deemed wise.

"3. No Sunday School Board employee shall take up residence in Canada nor shall he attempt to influence any church or individual to seek affiliation with the Southern Baptist Convention or with any state convention within Southern Baptist territory.

"4. The Sunday School Board expresses a willingness to work with the Canadian brethren in the effort to provide a literature which is distinctive in its Baptist position and gives full declaration of the Baptist testimony.

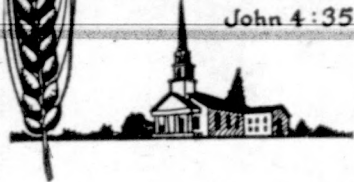
"5. It will be the purpose of the Sunday School Board to work with the churches of Canada in such a way that they will be aided in the building of a stronger indigenous work which is Canadian in character and strongly Baptist in complexion."

Recommendations of the Home Mission Board are:

"1. That the Home Mission Board shall recognize that Baptist brethren as individuals, local churches, associations and state conventions are each autonomous bodies with the right to determine their own affiliation and co-operation with each other and other Baptist bodies. Therefore we would not question their own rights for mutual co-operation

Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.

John 4:35



and promotion.

"2. We recommend that the Home Mission Board as an agency of the Southern Baptist Convention may accept invitations from any Baptist church or group of Baptists churches in Canada to help them in the promotion of their programs of education, stewardship, missions, and evangelism for the development of their own members.

"3. That no worker of the Home Mission Board whose salary is paid in part or in full by the Home Mission Board is to establish residence in Canada or seek to align existing churches or new churches with our Southern Baptist work. This statement is to be understood as our policy in dealing with all missionary personnel employed in part or in full by the Home Mission Board.

"4. That in accord with our generally accepted policy, it shall be the hope of the Home Mission Board to render all assistance possible in helping the Baptist forces in Canada to develop an indigenous denominational program that will win Canada for Christ."

Your Canadian representatives could not have been more cordially and graciously received. At our suggestion and request, an informal and unofficial discussion was held at the close of the Tuesday evening session of the Southern Baptist Convention Finance Committee, with approximately thirty key Southern leaders present, several of whom are well known to Canadian Baptists. For two hours, and in the finest Christian spirit, every aspect of the situation was freely and frankly discussed. At the request of the president and the executive secretary, a statement was read, which had been approved by the board of the Baptist Union of Western Canada on November 25, setting forth possible ways and means of co-operation with the Southern Baptist Convention.

The official presentation by the Canadian representatives came on the Wednesday evening. The matter was introduced by a carefully-prepared statement by President J. W. Storer, which outlined developments to date and included the recommendations of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board. Between 150 and 200 Southern leaders were present, representing various departments of their exten-

sive organization. Your Canadian representatives each spoke for about ten minutes, the approximate time allotted on the very full agenda. It was made abundantly and unmistakably clear that we represented the historic Baptist body in Canada, dating back to the 1760's and likewise the main stream of Baptist life across Canada today as represented by the three convention units of the Baptist Federation of Canada. Our fellowship with the Southern Convention in the Baptist World Alliance during the past fifty years was also stressed. The frequent interchange of speakers at our Conventions over many years, and our use of Southern Baptist leaders in the realms of stewardship and evangelism was recalled with appreciation. Our belief in the policy of an indigenous church, which has also been our practice in our foreign mission work both in India and Bolivia, was duly emphasized. Accordingly, our belief that Southern Baptist churches should not be organized as such on Canadian soil, in the best interests of both bodies, was clearly stated. This, our readers will observe, is in line with the "indigenous denominational program" stressed in the statements quoted above. These statements, it should be noted, give permission to the respective Southern boards to grant assistance, at their discretion, to any Baptist church or group of churches in Canada. The candid clarification of the entire situation at the two-hour Tuesday evening meeting leaves no doubt in our minds as to the wisdom and good judgment with which this discretion will be exercised.

It was a high privilege, and at the same time a heavy responsibility, to represent Canadian Baptists on matters so important for our present and future work. Never were we more keenly conscious that we were not alone. Many at home in Canada are praying God's guidance and direction upon our deliberations. The gift of \$5,000 previously received by the Federation for our pioneer work in Newfoundland (\$3,000 of which came from the Foreign Mission Board and \$2,000 from the Home Mission Board) with no strings whatever attached, is indicative of the way in which our Southern brethren have assisted and can assist Canadian Baptists. In the spirit of the Nashville deliberations, let us, under God, find further ways and means whereby we can assist each other in the extension of the kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,
W. John MacDonald, general secretary, The Baptist Union of Western Canada
Thomas B. McDormand, Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec.

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Bowmar Avenue To Enter New Home

Bowmar Avenue Church, Vicksburg, will launch its Crusade Revival March 6 with first services in a new building which provides an auditorium with a maximum seating capacity of 1000, and educational facilities for 250 adults, a church library, kitchen, church offices, and a youth recreational room.

The auditorium is equipped with controlled heat and air-conditioning, pews of modern design with foam rubber cushions, a new electronic Baldwin organ and a new Baldwin piano.

Plans for the first services in the new auditorium to be held at 10:30 on Sunday morning include an invitation to former pastors and members, recognitions and dedications, special music, and opening day message launching the Crusade Revival services. Luncheon will be served at the church, and open house will be held in the afternoon with refreshments served to all attending. Revival services will be held in the evening at 7:30 with Rev. Carmon Savell of Iuka as preacher and John Hutto of New Orleans as evangelistic singer.

Dr. R. A. Tullos is pastor of the church and R. E. Blades, chairman of the Building Committee.

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Encyclopedia Group Attends Nashville Meet

Rev. Joe Abrams, director of promotion; Rev. J. L. Boyd, Clinton, secretary State Historical Society, and Rev. C. B. Hamlet III, pastor First Church, Winona, were in Nashville, Tenn., last week attending a convention-wide workshop of all those who will prepare copy for the newly proposed Encyclopedia of Southern Baptists.

The above named three compose the Mississippi committee, to supervise the preparing of the section to be allocated to the state.

Definite plans were completed for the delivery of the Encyclopedia in time for sale at the Southern Baptist Convention in Chicago in 1957.

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District Training Union Conventions 1955

Date	Dist. Number	Place of Meeting
May 9	10	Raleigh, First
10	11	Bay Springs
12	12	Ellisville, First
13	9	Yazoo City, First
May 30	5	Holly Springs, First
31	6	Booneville, First
June 2	7	Houston, First
3	8	Beacon Street, Philadelphia
6	1	Port Gibson, First
7	2	Second Baptist, Greenville
9	3	Charleston, First
10	4	Olive Branch, First
13	13 North	Poplarville, First
14	13 South	Gulfport, First
16	14	Prentiss, First
17	15	McComb, South

Already we are setting our sights for the District Training Union Conventions for 1955 which are listed above. In order for these conventions to be of greatest benefit to our districts, associations and churches it is necessary that all local churches make forward steps now to have the church eliminations for the district convention features, namely: Adult Mission Story Feature, Young People's Speakers' Tournament, Intermediate Sword Drill, Junior Memory Work Drill and Primary Story Time. The next step would be to set a date for the associational eliminations and the next step of course would be to send the associational representatives for these features to the District Training Union Convention at the time and place indicated above. Pamphlets for promoting these features are available upon request for the state Training Union Department, P. O. Box 530 Jackson.

ENROL IN YOUR COMING SOUL-WINNING COURSES

The soul-winning study course emphasis for 1955 is being promoted jointly by your state Training Union Department and the Training Union Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee. The suggested date for the Central Zone is March 6-11, 1955 but churches are urged to make arrangements to have this soul-winning emphasis earlier or later than this date in the event that the March 6-11 date is not convenient for their schedule.

The books being offered as suggestions for study during this study course are as follows: Adults: *A Church Revival* by C. E. Matthews, *A Winning Witness* by G. S. Dobbins or *Every Christian's Job* by C. E. Matthews; Young People: *Winning Others To Christ* by Roland Q. Leavell or *The Plan Of Salvation And How To Teach It* by Austin Crouch; Intermediates, *Witnessing for Christ or Intermediate*

Fishers by Frank E. Burkhalter; Juniors, *Jesus Saves* by Hattie Bell Allen.

Posters to publicize this study course are available from your state Training Union Department, P.O. Box 530 Jackson. This poster has a picture of each book being offered for study during the course, a place for the date of the course, a place for the goal for attendance and a place to insert the proposed date of the revival.

Pres. Cooper To Speak At N. O. Cornerstone Laying

Two prominent Baptist leaders will be memorialized in cornerstone ceremonies at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, president, has announced.

Dr. James Marion Frost (1849-1916), principal founder of the Baptist Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, will have the new religious education building named for him in ceremonies set for February 16. The other leader, John H. Martin, of Gainesville, Georgia, who died in 1953, will have the adjoining chapel named for him on the same occasion.

Cornerstone laying ceremonies have been planned to coincide with the regular meeting of the full board of the Seminary's trustees. Featured will be remarks by Owen Cooper, Yazoo City, Mississippi, and President Leavell.

The new building, scheduled for completion this spring, will house the activities of the School of Religious Education. Dr. John M. Price, Jr. is the director. The School of Religious Education trains workers for the educational departments of Baptist churches. Much of the literature used by the churches is published by the Sunday School Board. Dr. Frost's "Resolutions", now famous in Baptist history, brought



A. P. O. Privileges Terminated In Korea

Southern Baptist missionaries in Korea have received official notice that on March 31, 1955, the Eighth United States Army in Korea will terminate all logistical help to U. S. civilians living there. This includes Army post office privileges and means that missionaries can no longer use A. P. O. addresses. All mail received by the Army after March 31 will be returned to sender.

Rev. John A. Abernathy says, "We have enjoyed these special privileges granted by the Army but realize it has always been only a courtesy on their part. We shall be able to get along without them from now on."

Address mail as follows:

Rev. and Mrs. John A. Abernathy: Baptist Mission Headquarters, 55 5-Ka Choong Moo Ro, Seoul, Korea.

Rev. and Mrs. Daniel B. Ray and Rev. and Mrs. Theodore H. Dowell: Baptist Mission, Taejon, Korea.

Rev. and Mrs. Earl Parker, Rev. Rex Ray, Dr. A. W. Yocum, Miss Irene Brannum, Miss Ruby Wheat, and Miss Lucy Wright: Baptist Mission, P. O. Box 35, Pusan, Korea.

All relief packages should be sent to Rev. Rex Ray, P. O. Box 35, Pusan, Korea. All money for relief in Korea should be sent to the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, P. O. Box 5148, Richmond 20, Va.

the Board into existence in 1891. "We decided to name the education building for Dr. Frost because of his contribution to the field of church service for which our students are preparing in the School of Religious Education," the Seminary President said. Mr. Martin was a successful merchant, active in the First Baptist Church of Gainesville and a frequent contributor to Baptist educational enterprises.

Commenting on the significance of the ceremonies, Dr. Leavell said, "We receive four or five requests each week for training educational workers from the churches of the Southern Baptist Convention. We are delighted to name the two sections of the building for men whose earlier labors assist us in supplying the demand."

Military Training—An Urgent Family Issue

By Joe W. Burton

The big debate in America for many months has been on the question of military training. That debate is rapidly growing to a climax in the present session of Congress as the president and the National Security Council have approved and are submitting a plan for the military organization of this nation.

One wonders if America ever faced a graver problem. We have been convinced that our survival depends on an expansive military establishment. But what should be the degree of that militarism? How far dare we go without suffering losses to the spirit which might be worse than the alternative to survival? Moreover, can militarism ever produce the character and courage and confidence which are essential to survival? These are some of the serious questions which Christian citizens are pondering deeply in these days.

Take the economic aspect for instance. How far, to what extent, can a nation produce the implements of war without impoverishing the people? Manifestly, there must be a saturation point, for physical substance has limits — the same coal, iron, clay, uranium used for weapons cannot at the same time be made into refrigerators, automobiles, carpenters' tools. A military structure at some point must fall under its own weight if not supported by a sound peacetime economy.

Again, look at the vocational aspect. There is a point beyond which a nation cannot afford to disturb its young people in the

choice of, and training for constructive, peacetime careers. Undue delay either in choice or in training can undo a whole generation for worthwhile vocational pursuits. Experience seems to indicate that military training is not often, perhaps seldom is, the best sort of preparation for constructive work in a healthy economy.

Still more important, look at militarism's effect on home life. Delay of marriage (or the greater evil, hasty marriage), delay of children, instability of residence, crowded and unsuitable living quarters, doubtful religious influences — undoubtedly here are tolls taken of family life which are indeed dear payments to a military order.

But most serious of all, look at the coarsening of the spirit. Many feel that the inhumanities witnessed in Central Europe a decade and a half ago had some cause and effect relation to the prior development of a military state. What will the military organization of this nation do to our young people? To their spirits? To their sensitivities? To their souls?

The present military program is already affecting family life most seriously. The proposed plan will surely affect our homes not less but more. Every Christian parent owes it to his family and to his children to study most carefully the newspaper reports of the debates and hearings in Washington, to pray very earnestly that our national leaders will exercise unusual wisdom, and to express his own convictions persistently and in the right places.

Joe W. Burton is editor of Home Life magazine, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By Rev. Leon V. Young
 Lynn T. Richardson, Bethel, St. Louis, Missouri, from Second, Bowling Green, Kentucky.

W. W. Jordan, Leeton, Missouri, from First, Clifton Hill, Missouri.

Wendell W. Price, Crossville, Tennessee, from Third, Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

Tom Madden, First, Tullahoma, Tennessee, from Greenbrier, Tennessee.

Ralph E. Williams, Alameda Hills, Denver, Colorado, from First, Kansas City, Kansas.

Burl Gray, Humanville, Missouri.

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Alton Butler, First, Dexter, Missouri.

R. W. Willis, faculty, Baylor University, Texas, from University Church, Seattle, Washington.

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S. Baptists Need More Seminaries

By Dr. Louie D. Newton
chairman Committee on
Theological Religious, and
Missionary Education

Meeting in Nashville recently, the Committee on Theological Education of the Southern Baptist Convention had one of the most satisfactory sessions since our appointment in Houston, 1953. It was a source of general regret that Drs. Hudgins, Hobbs, Feezor, Warren, Storer, and Mrs. Martin could not attend. Dr. T. B. Mason represented Dr. Howard Williams for Southwestern Seminary. Miss Emily Landsdell represented Carver School.

FACTS: A sub-committee, appointed some months ago, to make a study of the factual situation regarding theological training now offered by the Convention, and the present and foreseeable need of expanded theological training, reported. Dr. Orin Cornett of the Education Commission rendered effective co-operation in the assembling of facts, revealing, chart-wise, present enrolments and facilities, and trends, pointing future needs.

TRENDS: It will be interesting to look at some of these trends. In 1946 there were 3,200 ministerial students in our Baptist colleges within the Convention. In 1950 this number had increased to 4,800. In 1955 the figure is approximately 6,500. By 1960 it is conservatively estimated at 7,200. The present enrolment of ministerial students in our five SBC seminaries is 3,655. Counting students in religious education, music and other special work the actual present enrolment is 5,300. What are we going to do with the inevitable increased enrolments by 1960 and thereafter? This was the question we faced.

QUESTION: This situation brought forth other questions. What is the wisest policy for Southern Baptists in facing this situation? Force our existing seminaries to become larger and larger? Build more seminaries? Force more and more of our ministerial students to attend non-Baptist seminaries? Or give up any hope of seminary training? We had to face the fact that our five seminaries are now overloaded at the point of housing, library facilities, etc. And there are many other factors that cannot here be detailed, all of them important.

GROWTH: "We have grown faster than we have been able to plan," said Dr. Crouch. Foreseeing this trend, the Convention authorized the Executive Committee to make a survey of theological training in 1945. As a result of that survey, two new seminaries were authorized by the Convention in Chicago, 1950. They are: Southeastern, Wake Forest, and Golden Gate, Berkeley. They are meeting this demand for expanded theological training as rapidly as they can

get into full action, but it will be 1960, or thereabout, before they are in full action.

MEANWHILE: Meanwhile, enrolments at Southwestern, Southern, and New Orleans have increased annually to a point where their accreditation is threatened, due to teacherload, and other essential factors. Furthermore, many of our worthiest young men, called to preach the Gospel, have had to enrol in non-Baptist seminaries. The Executive Committee has ready for the 1955 Convention a recommendation which I believe will be welcomed, by which our existing seminaries will be definitely undergirded through increased appropriations. But this will not solve the situation. It is now obvious that we need more seminaries.

THEREFORE: Our meeting brought the conviction that Southern Baptists must have additional seminaries. When? As soon as we can provide a basis for such action. First, we must establish, on the basis of further study, where another seminary, or seminaries, should be located. Second, we must provide additional financial support for such expansion, keeping in mind that we must not endanger the present seminaries by any lessening of essential financial support. Presently, we are unanimous in our thinking that it will be wise to attempt only one new seminary at a time.

RE AND MUSIC: This question emerges: Should each of our seminaries undertake departments of religious education and music? At present Southwestern, Southern, New Orleans, and Golden Gate have these departments. Enrolment follows: Southwestern, R. E. 600, Music, 95; Southern, R. E. 95, Music 97; New Orleans, R. E. 125, Music 40; Golden Gate, R. E., 30, Music, 10. It was pointed out that the churches are calling for more and more graduates in religious education and music. And our seminaries must have additional funds with which to expand these departments — departments that are relatively new in CBS work.

CARVER: After hours of earnest discussion to establish the facts and trends within our five SBC seminaries, added by Presidents McCall, Leavell, Stealey, Graves, and Dr. Maston, representing President Williams, our committee then asked President Landsdell of the Carver School of Missions and Social Work to tell us how Woman's Missionary Union was getting along with their undertaking. Miss Landsdell told us that they have 104 students at Carver this year, divided between training for missionaries, religious education, and social work.

ADDITIONALLY: In addition to the work being done in our five seminaries and at Carver School, and in the American Baptist Seminary for Negroes in Nashville, we reviewed what is

My Favorite Bible Verse

By Mrs. Richard B. Drane,
(Cleveland)

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." Chronicles 7:14 (King James Version)

Readers are invited to send their favorite Bible verse. The Baptist Record plans to publish one each week. When sending your favorite verse address as follows: The Baptist Record, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi.

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Man Of Distinction

The liquor industry does not always give both sides of the question. They are constantly telling us that liquor makes "men of distinction." It does, but not the kind of distinction that they infer. For instance, a south Mississippi reader of the Baptist Record writes as follows:

"As the result of being a former drunkard and having a father who was a habitual drunkard, it behooves me to help the liquor dealers out as much as possible.

"I thought my father was great because he got by with his drinking. I found out in the end that the wages of sin is death. He ended his life by getting drunk, setting his house on fire and blowing his brains out."

being done in the field of theological study and training by Southern Baptists on the state level. First, the five seminaries are serving approximately 4,000 pastors who can never attend a seminary, through extension and correspondence courses, paid for by the seminaries. Our colleges, through the Howard Plan, are serving thousands of such pastors and layworkers, through local classes, taught by pastors, for which college credit is available.

ALSO: Also, a survey of the training now available to young men and older men in our state junior colleges, academies, and Bible schools, reveals a heartening answer to this situation. Many such students will never find it practicable to attend college or seminary. They are getting much valuable help from these institutions near them, and are serving, meanwhile, as pastors, and filling other places of responsible and essential service. Even so, there is obvious need of more seminaries, and Southern Baptists will consider prayerfully how we may best approach this situation, thanking God, meantime, for his favor on our effort to serve him.

(Louie D. Newton is pastor of Druid Hills Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga.)

Counselor's Corner

BY DR. R. LOFTIN HUDSON



Dr. Hudson, pastor of Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri is author of "The Religion of a Mature Person" and "The Religion of a Sound Mind" for the Baptist Record.

Prosperous Sinners

Question: I'm convinced that the sixty-four dollar question about religion is why people prosper who commit every sin in the book. It seems to me that some of the best people I know seem to have sickness, hardship, poverty, and disappointments.

Answer: Your question is one that has puzzled most thoughtful human beings. And made atheists out of some.

So far as I know there is no answer. Job found no answer. The Psalmist found none, except in humility (Psalm 73). Jeremiah whetted his wits on this very problem (Jer. 5). And Jesus made plain that suffering and handicap are not in proportion to sin (John 9 and Luke 13). The fact is, we do not know.

We may be sure, however, that God knows what he is doing and that sin will be punished. Perhaps he is being merciful to some, trying to bring them around by goodness. Maybe God does not chastize the Devil's children. He may be testing the righteous to bring out their mettle, their witness through suffering. I do not know, but He does.

Your problem is this. You are envious and resentful. All of us get that way at times. Why should we be so concerned about the prosperity of others. Do we not have enough to get by on? Can we afford to question God's providence? There is many a saint who has a very sly envy of the sinners. But the Christian way is best.

Remember, also, that excessive riches needs to be controlled by man just as man is learning to control diseases, floods, and criminality.

(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri.)

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Henderson Accepts Emmanuel, Biloxi

Rev. Guy Henderson is the new pastor of Emmanuel Church in Biloxi. This church is a year old and is located in a new residential section of Biloxi only three blocks from Keesler Air Force Base.

Mr. Henderson is a graduate of Miss. College and the New Orleans Seminary. He was pastor of the Society Hill Church in Jeff Davis County before coming to Biloxi. Mrs. Henderson is the former Lois Robertson of Sinton, Texas.

CALENDAR OF PRAYER

February 14 — David Yang, faculty, William Carey College; W. Wilson Turner, administrator, Mississippi Baptist Hospital; Y. W. A. Focus Week.

February 15 — Roy Kuykendall, Newton Associational Sunday School Superintendent; Nell Taylor, State W. M. U. Young People's Secretary.

February 16 — Claude Ming, Winston Associational Brotherhood President; Dr. L. B. Campbell, faculty, Mississippi College; District Sunday School Conferences.

February 17 — John F. Carter, faculty, Clarke College; Rev. Earl Warford, Alcorn Associational Chairman of Evangelism.

February 18 — L. H. Burris, Choctaw Associational Training Union Director; Associational Music Directors' Planning Meeting.

February 19 — Miss Evelyn Crooke, Lauderdale Associational Music Director; Rev. Russell McIntire, Clinton, State BSU Pastor Advisor.

February 20 — Rev. Curtis Sanders, Marion Associational Missionary; Mrs. Lee Gallman, Seminary Extension Department, SBC.

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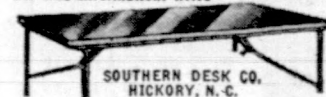
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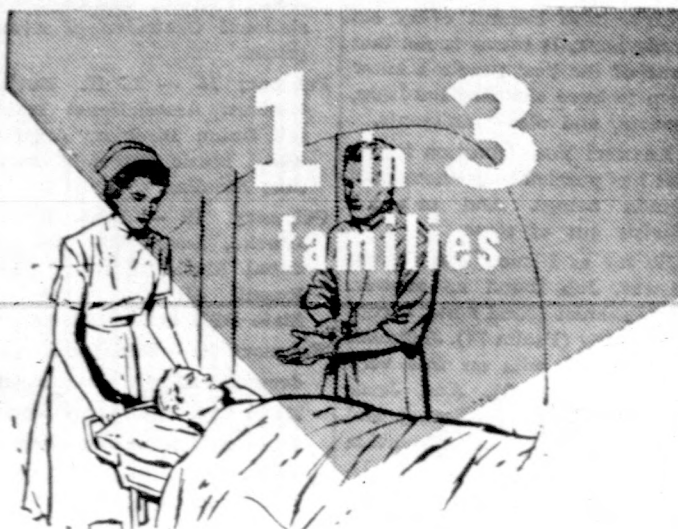
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Bethel (Rankin) Calls New Pastor

Bethel Church in Rankin County has called as its pastor Rev. Curtis McGee of Lena.

Mr. McGee resigned the pastorate at Grafton Church in Branch community (Greene County) to accept the pastorate at Bethel. He succeeds Dr. W. R. Cooper who resigned to serve as interim pastor at Highland Church, Jackson.

Bethel Church holds preaching services twice monthly.

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Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Frances Watkins, West Point; Rev. Charlie Bryant, Hickory Flat; Rev. Aven L. Miller, Clinton; Mrs. A. F. Favre, Jackson; W. S. Duckworth, Mt. Olive.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION

ATTENDANCE

February 6, 1955

Jackson, Calvary	1293	466
Main Church	1255	437
Mission	42	29
Byram (Hinds)	236	154
Jackson, Daniel		
Memorial	579	290
Jackson, Van Winkle	467	309
Pearl (Rankin)	153	83
Jackson, Hillcrest	161	115
Jackson, Parkway	865	541
Jackson, West	258	
Jackson, Broadmoor	422	183
Jackson, Highland	108	64
Jackson, First	1099	495
Pocahontas	55	
Briar Hill (Rankin)	73	60
Edwards	72	35
Laurel, First	563	166
Hattiesburg,		
38th Avenue	167	78
Canton,		
Center Terrace	275	151
Hattiesburg, Main St.	926	440
Stonewall	178	113
Long Beach, First	143	86
Greenwood, Calvary	399	173
Yazoo City, First	486	169
Murphy Creek		
(Winston)	119	90
Macon, Elon	46	
Amity (Chickasaw)	51	42
Midway (Lauderdale)	136	89
Pleasant Ridge		
(Holmes)	57	
Brookhaven,		
Hamilton Street	124	84
Ruth	55	45
Fair River (Lincoln)	108	61
Brookhaven,		
Pearlhaven	112	49
New Sight (Lincoln)	109	58
Hernando	134	81
Morton (Scott)	271	130
Main	256	
Mission	15	
Coldwater	115	51
Grenada, Emmanuel	234	92
Pelahatchie	159	66
Longview (Oktibbeha)	89	66
Soso, First	138	75
Columbia, First	611	231
Main School	543	181
South Columbia		
Mission	68	50
Brookhaven, Central	89	59
Jackson, North Side	521	203
Richland (Rankin)	115	52
Union, First	312	146
Glenfield (Union)	87	84
Cleveland, Immanuel	150	117
Pascagoula, First	519	303
Main School	483	225
McArthur Chapel	24	30
Orange Grove Chapel	22	48
Hattiesburg, First	589	214
Olive Branch	135	70
Grenada, First	638	170
Vicksburg, First	469	168
Cleveland, First	401	119
Clarksdale, Oakhurst	389	113
Laurel, Second Avenue	408	128
Spanish Fort	35	34
Ruleville	237	98
Hattiesburg, Temple	456	151
Kosciusko, First	848	300
Main School	828	
Maple Mission	20	
Gulfport,		
Grace Memorial	120	80
Charleston, First	357	143
Gulfport, New Hope	55	35
Clarksdale	323	142
Petal-Harvey	310	114
Main School	20	
Harvey	20	

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ing H. Revell Company, 316 Third Avenue, Westwood, New Jersey, \$2) is a book of sermons for salvation by C. Gordon Bayless. In these fifteen sermons the author aims at three groups — the unsaved, to the saved Christian for a higher brand of Christian living and witness, and to Gospel preachers "who seek a fresh, better way to tell the old, old story." C. Gordon Bayless has been a Southern Baptist minister for 36 years. Order his book from the Baptist Book Store or the publisher.

Ripley, First	220	71
Houston, First	252	150
McComb, Friendship	175	107
Meridian, 41st Avenue	329	111
Clarksdale, Riverside	229	129
Purvis, First	217	97
Mission	13	
Skene	102	57
Gulfport, First	507	328
Brookhaven, First	595	330
Main	586	263
Southway Chapel	74	47
Haibert Hgts. Chapel	35	20
Crystal Springs, First	606	201
Bethlehem (Jones)	139	116
Marks, First	201	47
Aberdeen, First	362	109
Lucedale	320	200
Meridian,		
Poplar Springs	432	177
McComb, Locust Street	90	60
Laurel, Highland	206	82
Pascagoula, Eastlawn	110	96
Darling	87	46
Newton, First	450	216
Bluff Springs (Pike)	61	66
Laurel, Harmony	157	88
Concord (Choctaw)	74	90
Pilgrim's Rest	70	40
Mt. Pleasant (Holmes)	60	41
Fellowship (Choctaw)	74	47
McComb, East	354	173
Wayside (Yalobusha)	45	
New Prospect		
(DeSoto)	110	63
New Albany, First	560	186
Main Church	515	161
North Side Mission	45	25
Calhoun City, First	343	115
Hattiesburg, 38th Ave.	192	81
West Point, Calvary	272	130
Starkville, First	578	226
Gulfport,		
Grace Memorial	241	77
Bethel (Rankin)	65	59
Bethlehem (Jones)	156	135

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MRS. PURSER HEWITT

The Cradle Roll workers over the state will be delighted to know that those conferences will be directed during our three Sunday school conventions by Mrs. Purser Hewitt.

Mrs. Hewitt is the very capable superintendent of the Cradle Roll department of the First Baptist church in Jackson, where she is doing a most excellent work.

We urge Cradle Roll workers to plan to attend one of these Conventions and get the benefit of the fine suggestions made in the conference period.

These three Conventions are in Pontotoc, Louisville and Laurel, February 22, 23 and 24.

MISSISSIPPI STANDS THIRD

For the first quarter of this Sunday school year — October, November and December — Mississippi stands third among the states of the Southern Baptist Convention in the total number of Standard units. Only Florida and Oklahoma have more.

The increase for us this year over last, for the same quarter, is very splendid. We have a total of 259 units as against 139 last year, for a gain of 86 percent.

We hope that many other leaders of schools, departments and classes will take the time to check up on the Standard and see where they stand, and then go about the matter of getting the unit committed to reach all the points and make application for standard recognition. Blanks will be gladly sent on request.

Remember: Standard Units Are Better.

KOSCIUSKO FIRST ADVANCES

Kosciusko First Baptist Sunday School has made much progress within the last twelve months, as attested by these facts:

1. Two new Departments organized — Junior III and Adult III.
2. Young People's Department I moved into new quarters.

3. Ten new classes begun since October 1.
 4. New quarters for Adult II.
 5. Five classes out of one Men's class.
 6. Largest Bible school in history of church.
 7. A Mission Sunday school begun.
 8. Great cooperation of the people.
- Rev. Lloyd A. Sparkman is the pastor, Mr. R. E. Barfield the superintendent and Miss Helen Eubanks the educational director.
- We are always happy to know of the good news about the work. We rejoice with all of you in the fine work you are doing to make our schools better.

AWARDS RECORD FOR DECEMBER, 1954

No. awards for December 1,891
No. awards to date 6,588
No. churches to date 225
No. associations to date 59

HIGH FIVE ASSOCIATIONS

Wayne 185
Hinds 123
Gulf Coast 99
Warren 95
Bolivar 85

HIGH FIVE CHURCHES

Waynesboro, First 76
Jackson, Parkway 72
Biloxi, First 65
Philadelphia, First 65
Monticello 59

PRENTISS HAS BANQUET

The First Baptist church of Prentiss, Dr. L. E. Green, pastor, closed the January Bible Study Week with a banquet for all those who had attended that class and also others in their leadership group. Mr. J. A. Johnston is the superintendent.

The January week of study of Hebrews, under the pastor's leadership, was one of the best they have ever had, and they have a good one each year.

After the week of study, the banquet provided a delightful opportunity for the group to have a period of fellowship and fun, climaxed by recognitions of those who have received awards during the year, and an inspirational message on some things that should characterized Sunday school leaders.

More and more our people are seeing the value of a program of Training each year for our people. If a church will provide the training opportunities, many of the people will respond.

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Oklahoma Baptists have received from three sisters, members of a Presbyterian church, a ten-acre tract of land valued at half a million dollars for a Baptist hospital in Oklahoma City as a memorial to their brother.

Miami Hotel Space Sufficient For SBC

MIAMI, Fla.—(BP)—Southern Baptists going to the annual Convention in Miami, May 18-21, will not have the problem of finding a hotel room. Hotel rooms will be plentiful this year, so says Carl Moberg, chairman of the local publicity committee.

There are 210 hotels in Miami and 375 in Miami Beach ranging in price from \$2.00 to \$8.00 per person. There are also 50 motels in Miami.

Food will not present a problem either for an abundance of restaurant and cafe facilities are available. The Convention-goer will be able to find any kind of food he desires from lobster nurg to corn beef and cabbage.

The Convention-goer might find it a bit difficult to get to and from Dinner Key Auditorium, where the Convention will be in session, as it is about four miles from most hotels to the auditorium. However, there will be excellent bus and taxi service. Bus fare is 15 cents and taxi fare for the trip to the auditorium is approximately \$2.25.

The average distance from the Florida East Coast Railroad Station to the hotels is eight blocks and three miles from the Seaboard station. It is eight miles from the airport to most of the hotels, and only one block from bus stations. There is a shopping center only two blocks from most hotels.

Other services available at the hotels and motels are: public stenographers, florists, barber and beauty shops, post offices, air-conditioned conference rooms, dry cleaning and laundry, and parking facilities for those coming in cars at 35 cents for 12 hours and 70 cents for 24 hours.

Remember that application for Miami hotel rooms may be made with hotel or through the Housing Bureau. Application for hotels in Miami Beach or in any motel should not be channeled through the Housing Bureau. Write to the hotel or motel of your choice.

If applying for hotel room in Miami, list six choices of hotels, and confirmation will be mailed to applicant by the hotel.

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Athens (Simpson) Ordains Deacon

Athens Church in Simpson County recently ordained a new deacon, Grover Windham. Rev. C. M. Grayson preached the sermon, assisting Pastor R. A. Eddleman with the ordination service. A number of deacons from various churches also took part in the service.

The church has an attractive new roof which has recently been dedicated.

Rev. Quinton Floyd will be the preacher during the simultaneous revival meeting to begin at Athens March 13.

CONGRESS GETS RESOLUTION FOR CHANGE IN WEST POINT MINISTRY

Highland Church Is Organized In Crystal Springs

A new church, Highland, was recently organized at Crystal Springs in Copiah Association. Crystal Springs, First Church, County Line (Copiah), New Sight (Lincoln), and Ruth (Lincoln) Churches sent representatives to help in the organization.

Rev. Harold C. Clower, Ruth, served as moderator; Jesse F. Clower Crystal Springs, as clerk; Rev. H. D. Booth, New Sight, led the Scripture reading and devotional.

Highland Church has called Rev. John R. Sartin, Jr., Brookhaven, as pastor. Miss Peggy Clement is clerk and B. B. Clower is treasurer.

Layman Robert Sanders has given a tract of land on which to build the new church. As the land is within the city limits (on the west side of Crystal Springs) the church will have the advantage of using the city water supply.

The church decided to give ten per cent of its funds to the Cooperative Program and plans soon to adopt the EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

Crystal Springs has a population of approximately 4,000 and heretofore has had only one Baptist church. Rev. Estus Mason is pastor of First Church.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(RNS)

— Congress has formally received an American Lutheran Church resolution asking that a change be made in the religious ministry at the U. S. Military Academy at West Point to bring it under the Army Chaplains Corps.

The resolution called upon Congress to repeal legislation passed in 1896 which stipulates that spiritual services at West Point are to be provided by a civilian rather than a military chaplain.

West Point has an Army Chapel, conducted by a chaplain, and a Cadet Chapel in which an Episcopal priest employed by the government officiates. It is compulsory for cadets to attend the Cadet Chapel, while attendance at the Army Chapel is voluntary.

Some Protestant officials have claimed that it has been a practice at West Point to assign only Protestant Episcopal clergymen to the Cadet Chapel. They say this practice has obtained since 1881.

The ALC convention pointed out that chaplains serve all other army posts and organizations, that the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis is served by chaplains, and that similar arrangements are planned at the future U. S. Air Force Academy.

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The Baptist Record appreciates a nice list of subscriptions from Union Church in Franklin County. The list was sent by the pastor, Rev. P. H. Young.

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Mr. and Mrs. Elton Moore, Southern Baptist missionary appointees to Indonesia, have left for their field of service and will be engaged in language study in Bandung for six months. Their address is Djalan Sukadjadi 192, Bandung, Java, Indonesia. Mr. Moore is a native of Carthage, and Mrs. Moore, the former Jean Cooper, is a native of Merion.

Anyone wanting information about Tennessee Temple College, Chattanooga, Tennessee, should write the editor of the Baptist Record. We have received a copy of resolutions adopted by that association, but as it concerns Tennessee affairs, we do not think it of enough general interest for use in the Baptist Record.

Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Luther S. Litchfield, Scooba; J. A. McMillan, French Camp; Hugh L. Simmons, Centerville; L. H. Burris, Weir; Mrs. B. W. Stokes, Pascagoula; Rev. Joseph Galle, Pocahontas; Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Manning, Crystal Springs; Rev. W. H. Pettigrew, Pearson.

CHANGES IN BIBLE SOCIETY PERSONNEL

Dr. Francis Carr Stifler, secretary for public relations of the American Bible Society, and for the past 18 years editor of the Society's publication, the Bible Society Record, retired from his active duties on February 1.

ATLANTA, Ga. — (BP) — R. F. Hough, Sr., Salem, Va., Superintendent of the Baptist Orphanage of Virginia, was elected president of the Child Care Executives of the Southern Baptist Convention at their recent annual meeting in Atlanta. Wade B. East, Carmi, Ill., was named secretary treasurer. Twenty-six children's homes in eighteen states were represented at the meeting. The group voted to meet at the Tennessee Children's Home in Nashville, next year.

FRESNO, Calif. — (BP) — A group of Conservative Baptist withdrew from the Memorial Baptist Church, Fresno, Calif., and organized Baptist Temple Church. They voted to affiliate with the Southern Baptist Convention.

DALLAS, Tex. — (BP) — R. Alton Reed was named acting executive secretary of the Relief and Annuity Board at the Board's quarterly executive committee meeting. The Relief and Annuity Board, one of the twenty agencies of the Southern Baptist Convention, is located in Dallas, Tex.: Reed succeeds Wallace Alexander who died in December. The executive secretary will be elected at the Board's annual meeting March 9 in Dallas. Wallace Bassett, Dallas, president of the Board, said in announcing Reed's election: "This is the fourteenth year of the 'Baptist Hour'."

William Carey, the great-grandson of William Carey, the founder of the modern missionary movement, has been elected president of the New Zealand Baptist Missionary Society. Baptist churches in New Zealand have during the last thirty years increased from sixty-one with a membership of 6,820 to one hundred with eleven thousand members. Gallup poll statistics reveal that 23 per cent of Australia's population attends church.

ATLANTA, Ga. — (BN) — Dr. Courts Redford, Executive Secretary of the Home Mission Board, has announced the inauguration of a training program for Home Missions staff and missionaries. Purpose of the four-point program is: to acquaint these with the Southern Baptist world mission program, and with the overall home missions program; to orient the worker to his particular field of work; plus mastery of the fundamentals of successful mission work.

In a report released this month from the Department of Research and Survey of the National Council of Churches, it was reported that "from 1929-52, inclusive, eighteen large Protestant bodies reported a gain in total membership of 42.7 percent." The eighteen bodies included Southern Baptists. The gain of seventeen bodies (minus the Southern Baptist Convention) was 31.9 per cent. The gain of Southern Baptists during this period was 102.5 percent.

The Richmond Baptist Association, Virginia, requests the Pastors in this state to send the names and addresses of their non-resident members living in Richmond to Rev. Paul E. Crandall, Baptist Building. The Church Loyalty Committee is asking the Richmond ministers to write their members living away, encouraging them to join a local church. March is Transfer Church Membership Month in the Association, preparatory to the April Revivals. Because of a Dr. J. N. Barnette directed Sunday School Clinic in October, a census will be taken then, instead of this spring.

The fourth-time and half-time churches, having preaching only once or twice a month, should have a paper every week, whether or not they have preaching services. The pastor of such churches could publish a general paper for all his churches but have one page for the local calendar of each. He would make this page different for each of his churches, to suit their individual needs. Used in this way, the paper can be a great unifying and promotional instrument in small churches. If the pastor finds it difficult to publish this type paper for a community in which he does not live, some local member can do it. —Practical Church Publicity by Richmond O. Brown.

Kirkendall To Lyon



Rev. James F. Kirkendall

Rev. James F. Kirkendall, for three and one-half years pastor of Beacon Street Church, Philadelphia, has resigned that pastorate in order to assume the pastorate at Lyon effective February 15.

Mr. Kirkendall is a Th. M. graduate of Southern Seminary. During his pastorate at Beacon Street an auditorium has been constructed; a fully graded W. M. U. has been organized; gifts to the Cooperative Program have doubled twice; and the ratio of baptism to church membership was one to eight last year.

While in Philadelphia Mr. Kirkendall has served as Chair of the Philadelphia Ministerial Association, Chairman of the Neshoba County Baptist Pastors, and was Vice-Moderator and then Moderator of the Neshoba County Association. He has served as Dean of the Seminary Extension Center.

Rev. Ollie Bryant, Cary, has just ended a successful evangelistic campaign in the Canal Zone and Panama. Services were held nightly in English at the Cocoli Baptist Church, and services were held at Various Mission Points in Spanish. There were 35 professions of faith, one transfer of letter, and two surrendered to full time Christian service. Mr. Bryant took colored motion pictures of the mission work in Panama and would be glad to show them to any church on appointment.

Due to the removal of Rev. James F. Kirkendall, moderator, and Rev. S. B. Barnett, Vice-moderator, the Executive Committee of the Neshoba Association has elected Rev. Wilbur Breland, pastor at Coldwater, as Moderator and Marion Perry, Philadelphia, as Vice-moderator.

The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the minutes of the Union Association, which met in 135th annual session with Cloverdale Church, Natchez, on October 12, 1954. The next meeting will be held with the Riverside Church, Natchez, in October, 1955. The minutes are attractively prepared and printed.

Brotherhood Department

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BROTHERHOOD PROBLEMS: Every organization has its share of problems. If and when we get them all solved, the undertaker should be called. The purpose of this article is to point out problems that stand out most prominently.

CONCERNED LEADERSHIP: Men, unless we care that manpower is being wasted and souls are going to hell we aren't concerned. The way that some of our leaders lead, it could be assumed that it doesn't matter anyway. We have been playing at the job of spreading the gospel for 2000 years. It would seem that it is about time we get concerned. Rarely does one leave his motor to his car idling. Yet about 75 percent of our men are idle — just standing — and waiting to be enlisted.

TRAINED LEADERSHIP: There has never been any premium on ignorance. In fact, in our day when information can be easily obtained, it is almost a sin to be untrained. Practically every day someone comes in and ask questions about Brotherhood and Royal Ambassador work that could be found in a four leaf tract. We beg of our men to take two or three nights and study the BROTHERHOOD GUIDEBOOK. Let's train our Brotherhood leadership. The Royal Ambassador COUNSELORS GUIDE should be

studied by every man working with boys.

HAVING MEETINGS WITHOUT PURPOSE: In our day of busy schedules, it is a shame to ask men to waste their time coming to meetings without purpose. There are five (5) types of meetings necessary to a successful Brotherhood. The **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE** is to plan the work and should be held monthly. The **REGULAR MEETINGS** are mainly for reports, program of information and inspiration and plans. **MEETINGS TO DO DEFINITE WORK** are for committees. **MEETINGS FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES** are meetings such as associational meetings, to hear a missionary or perhaps a Father and Son Banquet. **MEETINGS FOR INSTRUCTION OR CLINICS.** On associational level, men should study their work once each year and then spend two or three nights studying in local church.

ACTIVITIES UNRELATED TO CHURCH: Activities should be such as will challenge men. The most challenging activities are connected with our churches program. Men in Brotherhood need not look to civic responsibilities in order to find something for the Brotherhood to do. There is enough work to do, in and through the church, to keep us busy until Christ comes again.

There is an interesting article in the March issue of the Sunday School Builder by Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary-Treasurer for the Mississippi Baptist Convention, and Chairman of the South-wide Long-range Rural Church Program. The title of the article is "The Open Country and Town Church."

One of the Goals of Woman's Missionary Union of First Church, Purvis, for this year was realized Tuesday night, January 27th, when a new circle was organized under the leadership of Mrs. C. E. Wilson, Membership Chairman. This circle will meet on the first and third Tuesday nights of each month thus giving the ladies of the church who cannot attend meetings in the afternoon, an opportunity to become a part of Woman's Missionary Union. The history of Woman's Missionary Union and the Mission Fields were discussed with Mrs. Paul H. Leber leading. Much enthusiasm was shown for such a circle.

It is better to live for Christ than to wish you had. —Holly Springs Bulletin.

Rev. S. B. Barnett, pastor of the East Philadelphia Church, is moving to Union City, Tennessee, where he will serve as pastor of the Second Church.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — More than 5000 Sunday school workers are expected to attend the Convention-wide Sunday school clinic which begins Feb. 12 in Los Angeles, Calif. The two-week clinic is sponsored by the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, and will be in charge of Dr. J. N. Barnette, secretary, Sunday School Department.

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Sunday School Board Purchases Jackson, Mississippi Property

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BSSB)—The Baptist Sunday School Board has completed the purchase of property in Jackson, Miss., to be used for future expansion of the Board's book store there.

Dr. James L. Sullivan, executive secretary-treasurer of the Board, negotiated the property purchase. He said the Baptist Book Store has outgrown its present Jackson quarters. It is contemplated that a building program can be started on the Jackson property by the end of this year with a view toward expansion.

The property is located at North President and Amite Street and considered as one of Jackson's most familiar landmarks. It is the site of the old St. Dominic Hospital. The present book store location is on President Street where it has been for over eight years.

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Prout Accepts Pastorate in Marion, Alabama

Dr. W. E. Prout resigned the pastorate of the First Church, Shelby, Sunday, Jan. 31, to accept the pastorate of the Siloam Church, Marion, Alabama, April 1.

Siloam Church has a long and honored history, being the home of the founding of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and the home of the founding of Howard College, now located at Birmingham. Judson College, the oldest Baptist college for women in the world, and Marion Military Institution are located in Marion.

Dr. Prout completed six years as Pastor of the First Church, Shelby. During this time he has served as moderator of the Bolivar County Association, Vice-president of the Delta Pastor's conference, Dean of the Mound Bayou Center of Mississippi Baptist Seminary System, a trustee of the System and was at the time of his resignation a member of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

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Oakvale Sunday School Enlarges Ministry

The Extension Department of the Oakvale Sunday School has enlarged its ministry through the use of a tape recorder. The Church services are recorded and are taken into the homes of shut-in who cannot attend the services.

This is a visit from the Extension Department in addition to the monthly visit with Home Life magazine. Mr. and Mrs. Horace Langston are the Extension Department workers in cooperation with C. L. Hemphill, Sunday School Superintendent, and Rev. L. L. Northcutt, Pastor.

Dr. And Mrs. Odle Establish Memorial To Deceased Son

Dr. and Mrs. Joe T. Odle have set up a memorial fund with which to furnish a gift to Mississippi College, the institution that their son, Joe, who recently passed away, loved second only to his church. Many friends have heard about this and have made inquiry concerning their participation.

Anyone desiring to contribute to this worthy Memorial Fund may send their contribution to the First Baptist Church, Gulfport, stating that it is for the Joe T. Odle, Jr. Memorial Fund. Be certain to give your name and address.

The fund will be used to provide something as lasting as Joe's Christian influence.

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Myrtle Church Holds Power Conference

The annual Baptist Power Conference sponsored by Myrtle Church met January 24-30 at Camp Zion, which is owned and operated by Myrtle Church. The conference was well attended by preachers, laymen, and women from fourteen states.

The speakers this year were Dr. J. B. Lawrence of the Home Mission Board, Rev. O. C. Robinson, Minister of Missions of the First Church, Dallas, Texas; Dr. A. W. Jester, an outstanding physician of Houston, Texas; Evangelist Don Milam of Oklahoma; Rev. H. W. Ayers and Rev. Glenn Felmet of South Carolina; James W. Crumpton, and others.

The purpose of the conference is: a better knowledge of God's Word, the work of the Holy Spirit, and a Spiritual awakening in our Southern Baptist churches that will cause America to turn back to God.

Dr. Lawrence spoke the entire week on the work of the Holy Spirit. There were five professions of faith and many rededications.

The next conference will be January 23 — 27, 1956.

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Sansing Accepts East End, Columbus

Rev. Carey Sansing has been called as pastor of the East End Church, Columbus. He has accepted and will begin his pastorate there on February 27. At the present he is pastor of Cedar Bluff and Siloam Churches in Clay County.

Mr. Sansing has done an outstanding work in and around Columbus and will be welcome back there.

After graduation from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, and six years as pastor at Pheba, Mr. Sansing served as pastor of Calvary Church, Columbus for two years.

Meridian Pastor Accepts Pastorate At Laurel



Dr. Levon Moore, pastor of Highland church, Meridian, for the past four and one-half years, has resigned to become pastor of the Second Avenue church in Laurel, effective Feb. 15.

Under his ministry at Highland, the church membership has increased more than 400 and the budget from \$30,000 to \$50,000.

This past year the first unit of the new church was completed at a cost of \$250,000 and a parsonage was erected at an approximate cost of \$15,000.

The pastor's ability as a leader has been recognized by local and district groups. He is president of District Six BTU convention; program chairman of the Lauderdale County Ministerial association and is vice-moderator of the Lauderdale County association.

Mrs. Moore has been church organist.

In Laurel, Dr. Moore will fill the pastorate made vacant by the resignation of Rev. J. H. Street who accepted a call to the First church in Conway, Ark. Mr. Street was former pastor of Highland church, Meridian.

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Pastors' Conference Announces Program

A series of sermonettes will feature the program of the Northeast Mississippi Pastors' Conference when it meets Monday morning, Feb. 14 at the Glenfield Church near New Albany, it has been announced by Rev. Frank Roblin, Tupelo, program chairman.

Rev. W. J. Clayton of New Albany will bring the devotional for the monthly conference, to begin at 9 o'clock. Lunch will be served by the host church.

Those to bring the sermonettes will include; Rev. Joe Abrams, Jackson; Dr. H. R. Holcomb, Tupelo; Rev. A. J. Northcutt, Pontotoc; Rev. Lester Janes, Ripley; Rev. Grady Guntharp, Booneville; Rev. Frank Cox, New Albany, and Rev. E. G. Sims of Ecru.

Baptist pastors from every section of northeast Mississippi will attend.

Baptist Record Editor Attending Press Meet

Editor Goodrich is attending the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Press Association being held at the Molton Hotel, Birmingham, Ala., February 8-9.

The main speakers on the program include Lynn Landrum, columnist on The Dallas Morning News, Dallas, Texas; Dr. John H. Buchanan, pastor of the Southside Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala.; Dr. C. Emanuel Carlson, executive secretary of the Joint Baptist Committee on Public Affairs, Washington, D. C.; Jack Hamm, religious cartoonist of Waco, Texas; Editor S. H. Jones of The Baptist Courier, South Carolina; and Editor E. S. James of Baptist Standard, Texas.

The membership of this association is made up of the editors of the state Baptist papers of the Southern Baptist Convention and a few editors of the southwide journals. Editor Emeritus David M. Gardner of the Baptist Standard is president of the association, and Editor W. G. Stracener of The Florida Baptist Witness is secretary-treasurer.

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Olive Branch Church Enters New Building

The Olive Branch Church opened the doors to its new Educational Building on Sunday, Jan. 30. They were officially opened by the pastor, Rev. Arthur L. Goodson; the Sunday School Superintendent, Chester Cochran; and the Training Union Director, Maury Haraway.

The building, which cost \$30,000, has twenty-five rooms, including a modern kitchen, three nurseries, and a large room for entertainment. There are two central heating units with all ducts sized and prepared for future air-conditioning.

During the two and one-half years the pastor has been at Olive Branch there have been more than one hundred additions to the church. The Sunday School, which has been standard for two years, has doubled in enrolment, not including the Extension and Cradle Roll Departments; and Training Union has grown from 17 to 128 enrolled. The church has also led the Association in per capita giving through the Cooperative Program for the past two years.

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From one of its exchanges the Baptist Record has learned that on Sunday afternoon, January 16, Calvary Baptist Church in Wheaton, Illinois, was organized. It will be an independent, informal, evangelistic church. The church will not be a denominational church. It is to be an independent, local New Testament church. Dr. John R. Rice has promised to assume the pastorate of this church.

Sumrall To Celebrate Fiftieth Anniversary



The Sumrall Church will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary on June 26. At the same time the recently rebuilt pastorium will be dedicated.

On the same date the annual summer revival will begin. The evangelist will be a former pastor, Rev. Troy A. Sumrall, of Refugio, Texas.

Rev. T. F. Cooper is pastor of the Sumrall Church.

The church extends a cordial invitation to all its former members, pastors and others to join in the celebration.

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Lamar County Pastors' Conference Elects Officers

Officers of the newly organized Lamar County Pastors' Conference, elected at the initial meeting at Bellvue Church, are:

M. H. Lee, president; E. H. Peavy, program vice president; J. R. Grissett, membership vice president; and T. F. Cooper, secretary.

Future meetings will be held at Bellvue Church at 7 p. m. first Monday after the last Sunday of each month.

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Korea — Taiwan — the Philippines

By Joel Sorenson

Korea was both a saddening and heartening experience. It was saddening indeed to see the suffering of the people, originating in the war. It was heartening to find the open response to the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ!

I will not easily forget my first worship experience in Korea. It was Sunday morning and I should preach in the First Baptist church of Seoul. The service was held in a converted Buddhist temple. As the Baptist church had been destroyed during the war, the government gave the church permission to use the temple as their place of worship, until the new Baptist church could be built. The Baptists cut out the carved dragon and some other Buddhist insignia and made the temple a place of worship of the living God!

The first man to greet me had royal blood in his veins. Prince Lee, about 70 years of age, attends the worship every Sunday. Several of his children belong to the Baptist church. About 500 people attended the service, all sitting on the floor in typical Korean style. Men and women were separated: the women sitting to the left, and the men to the right. One prisoner of war, just released from North Korea, was there. And here was a principal of a big boy's high school, baptized six months ago. Another eager listener was a judge in the supreme court, converted three months ago. And there was a Dean of a women's university; there were students and people of every rank and file.

As soon as two or three Korean Baptists come together, they sit down on the floor and begin to sing. After an organ meditation on the hymn "When I survey the wondrous cross" the 500 worshippers all joined in a powerful hail to God almighty, singing "Holy, holy, holy". And later, just before I preached on the Kingship of Jesus, the choir of about 20 voices sang—Handel's Hallelujah-chorus! The voices were clear and distinct and there was drive and religious experience in the singing.

This service deeply moved me: a Buddhist temple converted into a place of Christian worship, people of all kinds — from a prince to a prisoner of war—gathered to praise the living God, the dynamic praise of the Hallelujah-chorus sung by youth, who had been brought to the insight of Christ's kingship! Out of perverted religion, out of suffering, out of despair there grows a Church, a city of the living God, not made by human hands, but built by Christ among men. Great, triumphant faith of ours!

In Korea about 8 per cent of the people are Protestant Christians, most of them Methodists or Presbyterians. The energetic

president, Syngman Rhee, belongs to the Methodist fold. There is at present a great opportunity for Christianity in the country, for most of the people are without a faith. Buddhism and Confucianism have lost their influence. There is a religious vacuum, which needs to be filled.

The Baptist work in Korea is by no means new. It originated with the service of missionaries from a Boston Baptist mission, the first one to arrive in 1889. From 1920 till 1949 the Baptist churches were totally on their own, mostly located in the North. At the request of the Baptist convention, Southern Baptists then moved in to help. There are now a reported number of baptized church members of about 5,500. But the statistics list not less than 15,000 inquirers. The need of preachers is great, and the Seminary in Taejon with about 140 students will gradually meet that need.

The Korean people are open, spontaneous and responsive. We can expect to hear good news from Korea in the religious realm. What will happen on the political scene is another question.

The next country to be visited was Taiwan or Formosa, Chiang Kai Chek's island. The visit to this country was a milestone in my service for the B. W. A. Taiwan was the thirtieth country, in which I have preached the Gospel and tried to further our Baptist cause.

The atmosphere on the island was amazingly relaxed. One did not feel so very much of the nervousness, which is sensed outside Taiwan these days. And here again the situation is conducive to the Evangelical faith. "Free China's development of the Christian movement has the wholehearted support of the people and the government," stated the Chinese Government Radio Administration a few days before my arrival. The statement also said that of the 8 million people on the island about 150,000 are Protestant followers, two thirds of which are baptized in one form or another. This means a 500 per cent increase since the Japanese regime. According to missionaries, however, these figures are somewhat exaggerated. The number of Protestant missionaries on the island is known exactly: 371 from 49 missions and denominations.

The Baptist work is new. Southern Baptists came to the island in 1948. Already there are 3,000 churchmembers in 11 churches. And in the seminary in Taipei there are not less than 70 students! There are other Baptist groups also: Conservative Baptists, Bible Baptists and Gospel Mission Baptists. And there is plenty of room for them all!

"Give us more pastors"—that is the cry! So far there are only

three native Chinese pastors serving in the work.

Also Taiwan is a place from which reports of victory may be heard in the future—if the political play in high places will allow a development, where freedom of religion will be granted as is now the case. There are signs of restriction on Christian activities from within. The schools and army camps have recently been closed to the churches. The words of Jesus become very pertinent out here in the Orient: "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day; the night cometh, when no man can work." (John 9:4).

The Philippines was next. I spent 12 days on these islands. Here I missed my first engagement on this trip to the Orient. But I was not responsible—the typhoon "Tilda" was!

The Philippines is the only Christian country in the Orient. The islands—there are 7,109 of them!—were discovered for the Western world by the Spaniard Magellan in 1521. The Spanish rule brought Roman Catholicism to the islands. Everywhere the influence of that church is felt. When I visited the islands, a big Marian celebration took place all over. Big parades with beautiful young "Marys" went through the cities. "Through Mary to Jesus", I read on one of the cars. My simple reaction was this: Why not write "Through Jesus to God"? That would have been more true to the Gospel. The Roman church is doing its best to restore the glory, which she enjoyed during the Spanish rule, but to some extent lost with the liberation of the country from Spanish rule in 1898. Her methods are glamorous and her social power over the people is strong.

I asked: "Are the people believing Catholics?" The answer was, that most of them are not. However, belonging to the Roman church is the accepted social pattern and anybody, who breaks away, will be under heavy social pressure. If a son in a family becomes a Baptist, it means a loss of face for the parents. It is hard for many converts to stand the pressure from their environment and some turn away from their new faith. It should however also be said, that there are those, for whom the Roman faith is an actual, experienced faith. I spoke to a hostess on one of the flights in the Philippines. I asked her if she was a believing Roman Catholic. "Oh, yes, she said, I would be completely lost without my faith."

Is there persecution? No, not directly. There is religious freedom proclaimed, and our evangelical churches work in freedom. But indirectly the freedom is limited. The social pressure has already been mentioned. Then there is the action taken against evangelical influence. Just one example. In Dagupan on the island Luzon the missionary hands out tracts and



These two officials of the Northeast Mississippi Baptist Pastors Conference, which met in Blue Mountain recently, appear to be enjoying themselves; and no wonder! The forty pastors had just finished luncheon at Blue Mountain College, and were being escorted around the campus by student guides. Left to right: Rev. Frank Roblin, Princeville Baptist Church, Tupelo; Miss Dot Slaughter, a senior from Mobile, Ala., their guide; Rev. Howard Aultman, Harrisville Baptist Church, Tupelo.

gives away New Testaments to students. The students read the literature. When the Roman priests notice that, they ask the students to bring this literature to the school, they take it and—burn it! New literature is given away, read and burned!

There are many Baptist groups working on the islands: American Baptists, Southern Baptists, General Conference Baptists, Bible Baptists, Associational Baptists for World Evangelism, and Baptists related to various interdenominational boards and agencies. Statistics are hard to get, but perhaps not even 40 per cent of the members in Baptist churches of the island belong to the fellowships, which co-operate in the B.W.A. My coming brought most of the Baptist groups in Manila together for the first time!

Through the efforts of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society a very fine work has developed, mainly on the islands Panay and Negros. In 214 churches there are now about 14,000 Baptists. The seminary in Iloilo City has about 70 students. The Central Philippine University and the mission hospitals in Iloilo and Roxas city are outstanding achievements of constructive foreign mission work. The work is growing, and it was inspiring to visit several churches, which had been built totally by money from the Philippine Baptists. This reveals maturity of faith.

The Southern Baptist work is new. It began in 1949, and was intended for the Chinese population. However, it almost immediately took hold also of the Philippines. To-day there are 957 members in 14 churches. The Seminary in Baguio has 18

Philippino and 12 Chinese students. The growth of the work is rather fast. The increase in baptisms last year e. g., was 66 per cent.

Much could be said concerning the need of a faith in the Philippines, which gives the people personal integrity, an adventurous spirit and respect for manual work. Without these qualities the economic and social future does not look too bright. Roman Catholicism does not seem to have helped the people to a moral foundation for national progress. Of about 20 million people on the islands about 600,000 are evangelical Christians, and of these not more than 25,000 are Baptists. May God give the evangelical Christians in general and the Baptists in particular the power and wisdom to lead the people of the Philippines to that high quality of moral life and to that Christian power, which together form the bases necessary for a happy national life.

"If we have God in our heart, we do not need to fear anything", was the constantly repeated phrase by a young teacher of a young people's Sunday School class in Davao city. He spoke with vigor and conviction. Let him stand as the type of the best of the young Philippine Baptists of to-day: lively and vital, wanting Christianity to be real. Certainly, the Philippino Baptist youth have a place for themselves reserved in our world-wide fellowship of young Baptists!

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If the person who sent a favorite Bible verse quoting Psalm 103:10 will send his name we will be glad to use it. No name was attached and therefore it cannot be used.